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Lonely fun: a boy, well wrapped up against the bank holiday chill, determinedly pursues beach excavations at Dymchurch, Kent, yesterday. The forecast for today is brighter

#### King opens **Expo 92**

King Juan Carlos opened Spain's Expo 92 world fair as rockets soared into the sky, and 5,000 doves and hundreds of coloured balloons were released. Just across the Guadalquivir river from the Expo site, the bells of the Giralda, the 274ft Moorish tower of Seville cathe-dral, led 37 other city churches in peals of celebration.

The king said that Expo 92, in which more than 100 countries were taking part, was the biggest exhibition in history, for its size, number of participants, and diversity of activities planned.. Page 9

#### Short shrift

Britain's Nigel Short last night moved into the lead in his world chess champ-ionship semi-final against Anatoly Karpov in Linares, Spain, by inflicting on the former world champione of the most rapid defeats he has ever suffered ...... Page 6

#### Syria foiled

Syria cancelled its attempt to break United Nations sanctions by flying a passenger jet to Libya\_after Cyprus, Greece, Egypt and Tunisia refused to give the plane permission 

#### Steel hopes

A glimmer of hope has arisen for some of the jobs due to be lost with the closure in September of British Steel's Ravenscraig mill near Glasgow. with the news that an 

#### £2m car thief

A teenage car thief, who caused damage estimated at £2.2 million to 400 cars during a year-long car crime spree, is expected to be released next month after having served a ten-

#### **Export riches**

A record total of 127 Queen's Awards for export achievement have been announced, together with 38 winners of awards for technological achieve-Report pages 19-24

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Taylor: asked fans to practise safer sex

# Teachers reject all-out battle with Patten

By John O'Leary, education correspondent

THE NATIONAL Union of Teachers yesterday backed away from a confrontation with John Patten, the new education secretary, by rejecting a policy of non-cooperation with the government's proposals for staff appraisal in schools.

Moderates in the profes sion's biggest union turned the tables on leftwingers and of accepting appraisal as long as it does not influence pay, promotion or disciplinary proceedings.

Although delegates to the union's annual conference in Blackpool had been persuad-ed by the left to reject, by a large majority, the executive's moderate line on appraisal, they later rejected a campaign of non-cooperation. Doug McAvoy, the union's general secretary, said that the result was an excellent one, as a recommendation not to co-operate with the government's scheme was a recipe for chaos. The NUT would have been isolated from other teaching unions.

Mr McAvoy said that there

had been a remarkable turnaround in voting. A card vote taken on Ship's approach by 100,000 to 67,000, a majority of 33,000. This had been turned yesterday into a victory for the moderates by 97,000 to 72,000, a majority of 25,000. Intense lobbying took place overnight, and yes terday a succession of executive members emphasised the dangers inherent in a boycott. One of them, Malcolm Horne, said: "We will be asking local officers to tear up agreements they have sweat-ed over, and which are the

envy of other unions." The decision will be a significant help to Mr Patten, who will have to implement the policy of compulsory teacher assessment laid down by his predecessor, Kenneth Clarke. Ministers see the appraisal of teachers' performance by senior staff as a key element in the drive to improve standards. They have committed £24 million to the first two years of the scheme. All state school teachers are to be subject to appraisal by 1995. A boycott would have disrupted the process at its

### UN tries to fix Delhi flight for Najibullah

By Our Foreign Staff

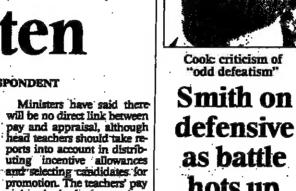
BENON Savan, the United Nations special envoy in Ka-bul, pleaded last night for a ceasefire between the beleaguered Afghan government and Muslim guerrillas as he tried to negotiate a safe passage out of the country for the ousted President Najibullah. Diplomats confirmed that

Dr Najibullah was in hiding. in a UN compound in Kab-ul. He is well. He is active. He seems to be all right," said an ambassador who has seen Dr Najibullah several times

since he was deposed. Earlier the chief government spokes-man in Delhi said that Dr Najibullah was expected to fly there last night. But he did not know when he would

Mr Savan also appealed for a general amnesty and an opening of roads so the United Nations could distribute 40,000 tons of wheat donated to overcome food shortages.

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review body is expected to

discuss the principle of per-

formance-related pay in the

Left-wing delegates to the union conference argued that

members should not co-oper-

became the sole owners of

reports on their performance and could choose who carried

out the assessment. Andy

Dixon, a member of the exec-

the corner. A boycost would not harm children, it would

not damage education, it would not disrupt lessons. It

would protect the work of state schools." Another left-

wing executive member.

Marion Shirley, said: "I hope

we have not created a mon-

ster, something that can be

used to savage all of us."

A former Conservative edu-

cation minister and ex-head

teacher, Sir Rhodes Boyson,

said yesterday: "While wel-

pects, pay and future status."
The NUT's leadership has

now beaten off left-wing de-

mands for action in two key

areas; a boycott of national curriculum tests was rejected

on Saturday.
Two further strike calls re-

main to be debated today. The executive is resisting

automatic strike ballots in

schools where class sizes are

judged to be excessive and

strikes over redundancies.

hots up By Shella Gunn

JOHN Smith took steps yes-terday to defend his tax stratabout its role in Labour's election defeat as the race for the party leadership took on a more acrimonious tone.

The shadow chancellor, who is favourite to inherit the utive from Greater Manchester, said: "Perfor-mance-related pay is around Labour leadership, implicitly challenged his main rival Bryan Gould to disclose which tax increases were wrong and which of the party's spending plans should have been dropped. In reply, the Gould camp

appealed to opponents to re-sist adopting an "adversarial approach" which would divert attention from debate on the party's future. A leading trade unionist also sent out a plea that there should not be "too much blood on the carpet" or fisticuffs in the threemonth campaign to decide successors to Neil Kinnock and Roy Hattersley. Mr Smith's challenge yescoming the signs of a return to maturity by the NUT, it is essential that the appraisal of teachers goes ahead and is linked with promotion pros-

terday came after complaints from Mr Gould and his backers about the unpopularity of Labour's tax plans, most notably in the South, during the

election campaign.

Referring obliquely to the criticism, Mr Smith's campaign manager Robin Cook commented yesterday: "It is an odd defeatism for Labour politicians to argue that redisribution loses elections."

Mr Cook, the shadow

health secretary, pointed out Labour's commitments to inwill oppose a call for national crease social benefits, saying: "Some analysis of why Labour lost seems to assume that Can teachers pass?, page 10 Leading article, page 11 the proposed redistributive Continued on page 14, col 1



By Harvey Elliott, travel correspondent

A RACING driver died and several spectators were hurt yesterday during a race at Thruxton, Hampshire. Dutch-born Marcel Gerardus-Albers, 25, was trapped in the wreckage of his Formula Three car, which disintegrated as it smashed into crash barriers, spraying debris into the holiday crowd. It is believed that the car

touched another as it overtook. The safety barriers held firm and, although there were minor injuries to spectators, none was seriously hurt in the accident at the chicane. It was one of a number of

incidents to mar the Easter Monday holiday. A 26-year-old woman died when the van she was driving collided head-on with a car which appeared to lose control at Hythe, near Southampton, as it came round a corner. Anna boy friend, Mark Derrick, as they returned a van which they had hired to move furniture into their new home in Lymington. Mr Derrick tried

unsuccessfully to rescue her. Six people were hurt when a fairground ride sheered from its support and crashed into bystanders at Pleasure-land, Southport. Five teenagers and a middle-aged man were treated in hospital. A baby girl was flown to hospital from a Channel ferry after falling ill between Amsterdam and Plymouth. A coastguard rescue helicopter was scrambled to the Danishregistered ferry Winston Churchill after the master radioed that the 11-monthold girl was suffering fits. The ship's doctor were winched aboard the helicopter, 13 miles off Portland Bill.

Dorset. A rock climber slipped from a cliff face and fell 200ft into the sea near St Govan's Head, Dyfed, dragging his son with him. Dave Thompson and Mark, 17, from Rubery, near Birmingham, swam ashore and were flown to hospital suffering from hypothermia.

A lamily escaped after being trapped in their smoke-filled flat in Ivybridge, Devon, by a gas explosion which demolished the shop next door. A collapsed wall blocked the escape route for Andrew Stephens, his wife Wendy and their two young children after the blast, which caused extensive damage to Continued on page 14. col 3



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naughty nannies need a register Life & Times Page 4

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St George slays bulls in Russia Life & Times Page 5

#### Leeds go back to the top

MANCHESTER United's progress towards their first Football League championship for 25 years was rudely interrupted yesterday. First they were beaten 2-1 by Nottingham Forest. Then Leeds United beat Coventry City 2-0 to go to the top of the table by a point, although they have played one match more. Shef-field Wednesday kept up the chase, beating Norwich to move within two points of Manchester United and five points ahead of Arsenal, who beat Liverpool 4-0. Newcastle United had

three men sent off and their assistant coach, Terry McDermott, ordered from the touchline as they lost 4-1 to Derby County, leaving them in danger of relegation to the third division.

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# Tribute to star catches a billion in its beams



By MICHAEL HORSNELL

FREDDIE Mercury, the flamboyant rock star who died last year from Aids at the age of 45, last night drew as ecstatic an audience as any in his lifetime when 72,000 devotees packed Wembley Sta-dium in a tribute to the frontman of the

rock group Queen.
The £25 per head charity concert.
expected to raise more than £1 million,
was conceived in his honour to promote Aids awareness.
The crowd saw a video of Elizabeth

Taylor in which she asked young people to practise safer sex and not to share needles if taking drugs. Miss Taylor was due to take the stage later to speak of "an extraordinary rock star who rushed across our cultural landscape like a comet shooting across the sky". Miss Taylor, 60, president of the American Foundation for Aids Research, said of Mercury: "The bright light of his talent still exhibarates us even now that his life has been so cruelly extinguished."

The concert, screened live by BBC2 and broadcast on Radio I, featured the surviving members of Queen, Brian May, Roger Taylor and John Deacon, who last played at Wembley Stadium with Mercury in 1986, together with George Michael, Annie Lennox, Paul Young, David Bowie, Elton John, Seal. Roger Daltry and other stars, live and by satellite link, who combined a variety of the group's hits, including Bohemian

Rhapsody and We will Rock You. The three-and-a-half hour spectacular was beamed to a television and radio audience of up to one billion people in over 70 countries, a figure to rival the biggest of all previous music programmes including Live Aid. The show required 4,000 miles of cable, 30 tons of scaffolding, 5,000 lights, 600 micro-phones, 500 speakers, and, reputedly, enough power to run a town the size of

Luton. The stage set took five days to build. In all, 98 artistes were on the bill. The 72,000 tickets were sold out in three hours, before the star-studded line-up was announced. Touts were selling tickets at up to ten times their face value, in spite of warnings to fans from Harvey Goldsmith, the concert organiser, not to buy them. All profits will go to help Aids projects worldwide

"We're here to celebrate the life, the work and the dreams of one Freddie Mercury." guitarist Brian May said. Then his colleague Roger Taylor stepped forward — dwarfed on the huge stage, flanked by twin video screens and topped off by three symbolic Phoenix birds — to draw attention to the 100,000 red ribbons distributed to everyone there as a reminder of Aids.

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Classroom assessment system raises fears of crude salary judgments being introduced through the back door

# Union urges teachers to resist pay by performance

BY MATTHEW D'ANCONA, EDUCATION REPORTER

TEACHERS should resist any move to introduce performance related pay through the "back door" of the new appraisal system, leaders of the second largest teaching union said

yesterday.

Nigel de Gruchy, general secretary of the National Association of Schoolmasters/ Union of Women Teachers, said that his union had always been suspicious of the system, which became compulsory in September. "We've been warning teachers for six years that it would be used to assess pay and for disciplinary purposes."

Maurice Littlewood, the

union's new president, said in his inaugural address to its annual conference in Scarborough that appraisal was more likely to be used as a crude indicator for performance related pay than as a tool in the development of teachers' careers.

For those who see our schools as competing units in a market-driven service, the management style of re-wards and punishments may seem desirable," he said. "I see no future in the enhancement of professionalism by stiffening the stick and gild-ing the carrot." Teachers should be paid on a colle-giate basis within each school and rewarded as a

THE growing number of graduates flocking to the

teaching profession has

been widely attributed to the

improved salary structure

which comes into force this

month is likely to encourage the trend, Matthew

A pay rise of 7.5 per cent was awarded to the 420,000 teachers in England and

Wales in line with the first

recommendations of the

School Teachers' Review

Body established as part of

d'Ancona writes

group for improvements in standards, he said.

The union will consider a series of motions on appraisal this week, including one proposing a national boycott of teachers assessments un-til appropriate guidelines and resources have been ne-gotiated nationally.

Mr Littlewood said that the 1988 Education Reform Act had emasculated education authorities and left teachers the victims of "initiative fatigue". The profes-sion was straining under the workload of the national curriculum. "Teachers can no longer be expected to do the impossible," he said. "We can no longer pretend that we can plait sawdust and knit treacle on demand."

In an attempt to trump the parent's charter, Mr Littlewood called for a charter which would spell out government obligations and teacher responsibilities, and free education from party political prejudice. "If teachers wholeheartedly seize this charter initiative, they will have an opportunity of putting a professional dimension on proposals for their own future and that of the service," he said.

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raise teachers' living stan-

The classroom teacher

now earns £18,200 an aver-

age of while a graduate with

a good honours degree will

enter the profession on at

least £12,300 outside

London, rising to £14,200 in

the capital. Primary heads

will earn about £25,500,

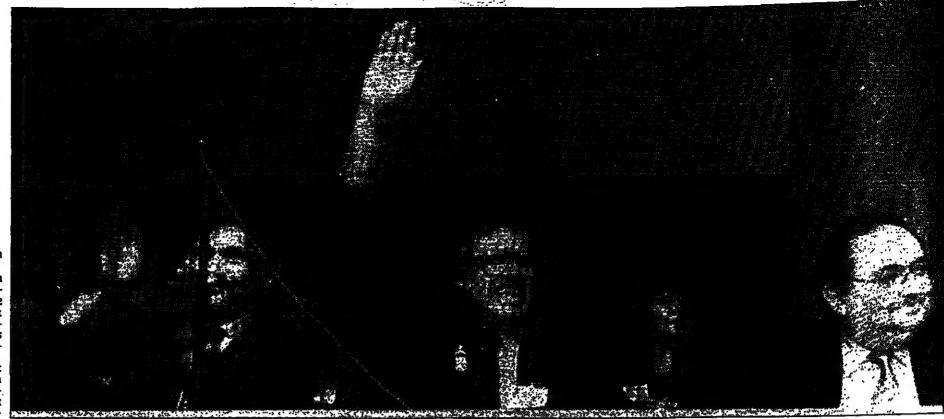
with the maximum salary

for the head teacher of a

large secondary creeping above £50,000 for the first

John Major's promise to ahead of inflation, surprised

The deal, which was well



Count me in: Malcolm Horne, NUT executive member, centre, with general secretary Doug McAvoy, right, acknowledging applause in Scarborough yesterday

# Schools cannot ignore appraisals

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

TEACHERS in state schools are to have their performance appraised by the middle of 1995. The process has already begun in many parts of England and Wales.

What concerns the NUT and the other teacher associations is that a system designed to enhance professional development will also be used to determine performance related pay, and may be brought into promotion and disciplinary procedures. Education ministers say that, although there will be

Many local authorities

fear they will be unable to

pay for the new settlement,

which will cost £765 million

with only £60 million of ex-

tra funding from the govern-ment. The National Association of Schoolmast-

ers/Union of Women Teach-

ers argues that the under-

hundreds of redundancies.

mend pay, could hardly ignore the conclusions of Teachers will be assessed by department heads or head teachers every two years. Having been twice ob-Salary deal lures graduates served in the classroom for at many, but discontent still least an hour, they will be set targets at an interview. A runs deep among teachers, whose pay has fallen 7.5 per cent in relation to non-manreview of progress will take place in the following year. ual workers in the private

 Appraisal systems and performance payments are increasingly popular among companies (Robin Young writes). A survey by Alan Jones & Associates, a salary and benefit specialist, of 185 firms with turnovers from £1 million to £3,400 million, found that two thirds related salaries to appraisals and a tenth had introduced a payfor-performance system within the past year.

pay and appraisal, head

teachers should consider re-

ports when framing recom-

. With the government determined to introduce

performance related pay and

the teachers' pay review body

unable to suggest a basis for assessing individuals, app-raisal reports would be an

obvious starting point. Head

mendations to governors.

# Moderates ahead on points but anything could happen

IN the National Union of Teachers' annual contest between the left and the far left, the moderates are ahead on points. But anything could

happen in the last round. The Labour-leanin The Labour-leaning Broad Left group, which holds the majority of seats on the union's executive, breathed a sigh of relief when conference delegates rejected a policy of non co-operation with appraisal yesterday. But it knows that it may not be able to hold the line on national strikes over redundancies and local action on class size.

Many delegates switched their allegiance overnight on appraisal, and are quite ca-pable of doing so again. Politically uncommitted and inexperienced delegates at the NUT's annual conference can be swayed by an anti-establishment atmosphere, relegated to the role of onlookers in the main debates. The organised political groups monopolised the speeches on the big issues, turning some debates into battles between the different executive factions.

The atmosphere of confusion is exacerbated by a shortage of charismatic union's dominant personDoug McAvoy, leader of the NUT, takes a ringside seat as the left and far left slug it out, John O'Leary reports

ality, its general secretary Doug McAvoy, sits Sphinx-like on the platform, con-demned to silence until the last session today. Last year he used the occasion to accuse left wingers of ignoring ordinary teachers views.
There is a hard core who return with the same platitudes, the same call for action that will not be supported by members, which will attenute public support," he said then. Such haranguing may not be nec-essary today, but Mr McAvoy is reluctant to

Now 51, Mr McAvoy faces re-election in 1994 with little opposition in sight. Although he refuses to be drawn on his political alle-giance, he remains the union's leading moderate. Without him to espouse the moderate line, the Broad Left has no obvious leader. George Wiskin, the group's secretary and a Staffordshire head teacher, is not a prominent conference speaker, and so duties are shared moderate leaders. The among a group which often seems as remote from most delegates as the left wingers are from the average teacher. Although moderates hold

sway on the NUT's executive, they have had to resort to procedural manoeuvres at times to control the conference. It took two debates to persuade a majority of delegates that returning to estab-lished policy on appraisal was preferable to an un-achievable negotiating position which included allowing teachers to chose the person who would assess them. Malcolm Horne, for the executive, warned the conference that such a demand would attract public

The groups pushing the more militant line are the Socialist Teachers Alliance and the Campaign for a Democratic Fighting Union, both hard left coalitions confined to the NUT. Leaders of beth have taken an uncharacteristically low profile at a time when some ers are unlikely to support strikes ex-cept to defend their own jobs.

The Socialist Teachers Alliance, with ten executive

Karaoke

finds old

is best

from the left of the Labour Party and the Socialist Workers Party. Its strength lies in London. Conference supporters tend to be younger delegates, such as Andy Dixon, the executive member from Greater Manchester who insisted yesterday that a boycott of appraisal would improve state schools.

Although less numerous on the conference floor, the Campaign for a Democratic Fighting Union has captured two vital NUT posts, with Mary Hufford as deputy general secretary and Ian Murch as treasurer. Richard Rieser, leader of the militant Hackney Association, in east London, is the main conference voice of a group which is less open than the Alliance about its political links and

frequently more extreme.

Neither of the groups can claim substantial membership among the NUE's 183,000 members, who could be expected to repudiate most of the left's calls to arms if the conference did not do so first. Only in the local disputes which are occurring with increasing regularity is there any evi-dence of the militant attitudes commonplace in Blackpool this weekend.

#### **Docklands** protesters sue group for £10m

BY DOUGLAS BROOM LOCAL GOVERNMENT

MORE than 1,000 people living in the East End of London are to seek a total of E10 million in compensation for the disruption of their lives caused by the building of a link road in London Docklands since 1989.

Solicitors acting for residents' groups in Tower Ham-lets have said that they had decided to proceed after the failure of an appeal by the London Docklands Development Corporation against eight convictions for causing noise pollution.

Knightsbridge crown court last week upheld the convictions which were secured by Tower Hamlets Council. The development corporation said that it was considering a further appeal but would not

Sally Moore, a solicitor acting for the residents, said the court's ruling that the corporation was legally responsible for the actions of contractors had opened the way for the compensation claims.

Local people had been under "incredible stress" since work began on building the Limehouse link road which is designed to improve connections between Docklands and the rest of London. They had suffered respiratory problems caused by dust and stress related illnesses caused by excessive noise, she

"Our clients have been living on top of one of Europe's largest building sites for over three years. They have had to endure massive disruption to the quality of their lives due to noise levels. dust dirt and pollution."
Writs seeking damages of

up to £10,000 a person would be served on the London Docklands Development Corporation within the next fortnight, she said.

# **Unions warn of** civil unrest in home rule fight

THE president of the Scottish TUC yesterday warned that civil disobedience could crupt to coincide with the Europe-an summit in Edinburgh lat-er this year as a way of shaming the government into

granting home rule.

Jane McKay called on unions affiliated to the STUC to organise a "strategic event" when the European heads of government meet in Decem-ber. "We must bave a planned strategy for that summit. And if that means 'living a little dangerously', as one of our most respected Scottish politicians has suggested, then perhaps we should be prepared to pick up that mantle," she said.

Ms McKay's remarks, at the start of the STUC's conference in Perth, were inter-preted as a call for some form of civil disobedience, a strategy that has received backing among opposition parties and the Scottish Constitutional Convention. In her presidential address she said: Our claim for constitutional

By KERRY GILL

ALBERT the lovesick alba-

tross sat miserably at the

foot of the Herma Ness

cliffs on Shetland yesterday

contemplating another sea-

son of celibacy worsened by

the repeated rebuffs from

the twittering female gan-nets that circle his nest.

only black-browed albatross in the North Atlantic has left Albert a reluctant bachelor

for the past 30 years. All attempts at striking up a romance with the local gannet females have got the

brush-off. He appears to be

unaware that the breeding colonies of the black-browed

albatross are 8,000 miles

away in the Falklands.

Being almost certainly the

change, for a Scottish parliament, is more legitimate now since the election. The majority of the people of Scotland voted for change. The Tories are desperate to look for stop-gap measures to stem the

Today's STUC debate on to be overshadowed by a dispute caused by the refusal to allow Alex Salmond, the Scottish National Party leader, to address the conference. Mr Salmond, who has blamed the Labour party for persuad-ing the STUC's general council to withdraw a proposed invitation, will hold a news conference in Perth, just several hundred yards from the conference. He is expected to give details of what he would have told and, because of the

snub, is assured all the more publicity for his views.

Ms McKay called on the SNP to drop its "isolationist" position and appealed for the state of the same of the various appeals. unity among the various groups calling for home rule. The conference is certain to

An albatross, but not

lovelorn like Albert

Albert was first noticed in

his adult plumage off the Bass Rock in Lothian 25

years ago. He may have de-cided he would have better



back a demand to John Major that the government holds a multi-option referendum on Scotland's constitution.

With district elections taking place next month, Mr Salmond will be keen to emphasise a split between the Labour party and those who would want to involve the SNP in talks on a referen-dum. It was, he said, Labour that sabotaged his expectation to address the STUC debate. "Obviously the Labour party seem to be extreme-

luck among the vast seabird colonies of Shetland where

the females might be im-

pressed by his 7ft wingspan.
He duly appeared at Herma Ness, the storm-washed

northern tip of Shetland, in

the spring of 1972. Twitch-

ers have come from all over

Britain, the Continent and

America to see him and the

islanders grew so fond of the

lovelorn bird that they

It appears that he at-

tempts the occasional pass at local gannets, the birds closest in size and appear-ance to an albatross, al-

though his desire has not

Kevin Osborne, editor of

the Shetland Bird Report, said that Albert dabbled in

named him Albert.

been reciprocated.

ly anxious about the support and currency that the ideas I would put forward would have on the floor of the con-

gress," he said. Meanwhile, Britain's two biggest unions have launched a campaign to secure better training for all workers.

Too many firms regard training as a gift "for the privileged few" or offer barely adequate schemes, the Transport and General Workers' Union and the GMB general union said. The unions have

foreplay but with no obvious results. "He has tried to court with the gannets mov-

ing his beak and flapping his

wings in a pseudo-mating display but he won't breed with a gannet. He will be

Steve Gantlett, of the Bird

Information Service, was

also pessimistic about Al-

bert's chances after a quar-

ter of a century of celibacy.

"It is possible there is more

than one black-browed alba-

tross in the North Atlantic

but the chances of them

meeting up in the vastness of the ocean have to be

thologist who works for the Royal Society for the Protec-tion of Birds, doubted that

Pete Ellis, a Shetland orni-

seriously frustrated."

Tea break: Jane McKay, right, STUC president, with member Carmen McAteer drafted a model training agreement which will feature in all major negotiations.

The draft agreement pro-vides for induction training for new workers and a mini-mum of five days' training or education each year for all

John Edmonds, GMB general secretary, said: "Training is an important benefit for employees and it should be negotiated across the bar-gaining table just like holidays, sick pay and pensions."

angry whenever the smaller seabirds came too close. Mr

Ellis said Albert spent most

of his time sitting forlornly at the foot of the cliffs

fishing for squid.

It will probably be of little consolation to Albert to

learn that another bird, al-

beit a lot smaller, is lan-

guishing without a mate at

the other end of Britain. The

10in Ancient Murrelet on

Lundy island in the Bristol

Channel, is also looking for a

partner similarly unaware that true love lies on the other side of the world — in

this case the Aleutian

Islands in the North Pacific.

Perhaps someone should

When karaoke singing was introduced to Britain in the Flighty birds leave amorous albatross alone Albert fancied the gannets and reckoned that he grew

> dent Englishman will grab the microphone for a raw display of his singing talents. Karaoke is such a routine part of pub entertainment that Mike Mason, owner of the karaoke hire company, MPM Entertainments, said:

> There are more than 10,000 venues with karaoke machines and there is even a National Karaoke Academy. Most musicians are quite happy to allow drunken amateurs to sing along to their

#### Victims of arson named

By NICHOLAS WATT

WHAT kind of people are foolhardy enough to hurl off their jacket in the middle of a bar and grab a microphone to sing along to their favourite songs? Certainly not dashing young folk, judging by the first Top Ten chart of Britain's most popular karaoke hits, which has a distinctly middle-aged feel.

At the top of the Music Week chart is that old trouper Frank Sinatra with My Way. He is followed by Gloria Gaynor's I Will Survive, the Righteous Brothers' You've Lost That Loving Feeling and Yesterday by the Beatles.

Steve Lindsey, general manager of Island Music, which publishes karaoke songs, said: "The list does seem to be very 1960s. I must admit I was very surprised to see Jeff Beck's Hi Ho Silver Lining in the top ten. I think the chart does say something about the age of your average karaoke singer, although hits such as My Way do appeal to all ages from birth."

1980s its appeal hardly stretched beyond a couple of central London bars where uninhibited Japanese businessmen could unwind after work just like the folks back home. The British were mildly amused. Now even the most diffi-

"It is up there with the dartboard in pub entertainment."

A marse was one of five people killed when an arsonist struck at a birthday party, police

said yesterday. Mabel Smith Roberts, 45, from Colwyn Bay, Clwyd, arrived in Hove, East Sussex, the day before fire broke out in the house. She died when she tried to jump 60ft to safety as flames engulfed the third-floor flat early on Sanuday Police lest violet identicate. day. Police last night identified another victim as Andrew Manners, 29, of Chel-

tenham, Gloucestershire. The dead included the host, Tim Sharpe, 28. Two victims, both men, are still unidenti-fied. The blaze is thought to have begun when someone ignited a sofa on the landing below the flat.

Detectives interviewed two men believed to have left the party before the sofa was ig-nited but remain anxious to trace two others. They were continuing house-to-house enquiries. One man is about 5ft 10in and aged 35, the other is 5ft 7in, lean, tanned and in his late twenties.

#### Pair remanded A couple were remanded in

custody yesterday, accused of harbouring Stephen Miller, 36, a murder suspect nick-named "The Caveman". Karen Weaver and Liam Mellin, of Barry, South Glamorgan, appeared before a special sitting of Neath mag-istrates. Mr Miller disappeared last month after Adrian Hughes, 28, a former supermarket manager, was found battered and stabbed.

#### Police car crash

A patrol car policeman was injured yesterday after a hitch hiker on the M1 who refused to leave the motorway was being taken to a police station. The police car crashed into a garden wall at Hendon, northwest London. Brian Spencer, 25, unem-ployed and of no fixed address, is due in court today accused of having an offensive weapon, affray and causing grievous bodily harm.

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# Sister of man wanted in murder hunt is charged

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Kathleen Mary Magee, 30, of Derby, who appeared be-fore a special sitting of the city's magistrates' court, was accused under the Prevention of Terrorism Act of failing to disclose information that she knew or believed might be of material assistance in the apprehension, prosecution or conviction of a person for an

#### Remand over boy's. killing

A JOBLESS man was re-manded in custody for seven days yesterday, charged with murdering Matthew Robinson, aged 4, at his parents' lodging house in Plymouth,

James Stuart Cochrane, 25, who appeared before a special sitting of Plymouth magistrates and was hand-cuffed to two police officers, was also charged with a serious sexual offence against the boy. He allegedly committed the offences between April 13 and 16. No bail application was made and Mr Cochrane was remanded in custody un-

in bed last Wednesday morning. Mr Cochrane was formerly a lodger at the house.



Cochrane: a former

on Good Friday for the first

time. A spokesman said that

the shop had had an "ex-tremely good Easter", but

that it was too early to predict

a substantial increase in con-

sumer confidence. "The signs

are encouraging, because

spending is more steady. A

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Anne Horton, assistant

manager at the Dickins &

Jones department store in Re-

gent Street, said that trading

more unpredictable."

offence\_involving terrorism between April 13 and 16.

She was also charged under the Criminal Law Act with performing an act intended to impede the apprehension of prosecution of a person she knew or believed to be guilty of an arrestable offence, namely murder.

The court was searched by police with dogs before the hearing and people entering the building were searched. Miss Magee was remanded into police custody for three days. There was no application for ball and reporting restrictions were not lifted.

Miss Magee's brother, Joseph Magee, 26, is one of three Irishmen that Derbyshire police have said they want to question in connec-tion with the murder of Ser-geant Michael Newman, 34, who was shot dead on Monday last week.A republican

tay last group, the Irish National Liberation Army, has claimed responsibility.

Mr Magee, originally from Armagh, is being sought with two other men, Declan Duffy, 19. and Anthony Gorman, 22, both from Belfast.

Patrick Magee, an older brother of the wanted man. said yesterday that he and the woman he lives with would take legal action against the police after their arrest on Friday during the investiga-tion of the Derby shooting. Leicestershire police said that any complaint would be tak-

en seriously.

Mr Magee, 35, claimed that be sustained a bruised cye when he was arrested in the Nag's Head public house in Salthy, Leicestershire, 50 yards from the home he shares with Angie Wild, 21, who was also detained.

Steve Newcombe, their sol-icitor, said: "We state for the record that Patrick last had contact with his brother Joseph some 17 years ago. It is a

similar length of time since he last contacted his sister."

It emerged yesterday that about a year ago Joseph Magee worked for a short time as a stable lad for the time as a stable lad for the prince. trainer Bob Manning at his stables at Winterbourne, near Bristol. Mr Manning said police all I know and I have given them some very valu-able information."

Shops welcome Easter sales rise

By Alison Roberts

ing but was not detained. SHOP sales rose over Easter, had been good, but not unusual. "There were a lot of but retailers remained cautious about the prospects for people, but lots were Bill Whiting, marketing di-rector of B&Q, said: "We Harrods reported a turnover of £1.3 million over the have to remain cautious at holiday period, which was about double last year's, partthis stage. We did very well, but we were expecting to. I think consumer confidence ly because the store opened

> the post-election boom The Oxford Street branch of Next, the clothing and furnishing retailer, has seen increasing sales for the past six months. "As far as we are concerned, people are spending as much money as they used to," Marc Smith, the

will pick up with the general economy, and it will be grad-



Sleepy feeling: Thomas the dalmatian failing to stifle a yawn as it rides beside its owner, George Hawkins of Waltham Cross, Hertfordshire, in the 25th London harness horse parade in Regent's Park yesterday. Mr

Hawkins was driving his paired hackneys, Ackroyd Black Magic and Farnum Bright Light in a phaeton competing in the pair horsed vehi-cles class (Robin Young writes). The parade, for which there were over

230 entries, amalgamates the London cart horse parade, founded in 1885 and which was traditionally held on Whit Monday, and the London van horse parade, started in 1904 and held every Easter Monday

since with the exception of periods of the two world wars. Though the parades were originally intended for driving vehicles are now encouraged

#### Shotgun man keeps woman hostage

By PAUL WILKINSON

AN ARMED man was last night holding a young woman hostage in a house more than 24 hours after her mother and a young man were shot and seriously injured in separate, but related. incidents in Co Durham.

Efforts by police negotia-tors to talk the 24-year-old man out of the house were going on, using a field telephone passed through an up-

per window. The siege began on Sunday afternoon at a house in Dar-lington soon after the first shooting a few miles away on a minor road near the village of Stillington.

In that incident, Jason Ward, 20, from Darlington was wounded in the head by a single barrel shotgun.As police began dealing with the first shooting, other officers were called to a house in Lyonette Road in Darlington after reports that a woman had been shot as she ran down the front path. Pauline Rees, 43, was taken to hospital with body wounds. She is said to be "satisfactory". Thirty officers, some armed, surrounded the gunman, sealing off the area and evacuating other houses.

The man was named locally as Keith Pringle and his captive as Leanne Rees, 21. Her two children were being looked after by relatives. Police said that the gunman was known to both the injured people and to the woman being held.

#### Youths pelt police with bricks

AN ATTACK on police breaking up an all-night par-ty in a disused factory was condemned yesterday as "part of the malaise affecting our society by the chairman of the Metropolitan Police

You've got an undisci-plined society, where young people take their lead from their elders." Mike Bennett said. "We are very concerned that this type of thing may take off. These parties are more likely from now on than they were during the winter, who find their thrills in takon police officers.

He was speaking after police were pelted with bricks and bottles early yesterday while breaking up a party attended by 1,000 people in Acton Lane, Willesden, northwest London. Police moved in and made ten arrests after complaints about noise and damage to properties near by. One officer was taken to hospital with bruis-

Mr Bennett said that under changes to policing in London, police numbers were being reduced at night.
"They have researched when the public say they need us, and that is during the day, and less during the night. That will leave us short-handed when these things take place, which is a cause for

Five men will appear before ual. I am not sure that I trust Brent magistrates today charged with committing violent disorder, Scotland Yard said. Three men will appear before Brent magistrates on June 2, on charges of obstructing police, assault on police and possession of cannabis, and another two men magistrates on April 27.

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manager, said.

BY HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

to fly domestic shuttle routes from Heathrow today they should look to fel-low travellers for the cause and not the airline.

No aircraft has been so well cleaned, deodorised and disinfected as G-BKYJ and BA is confident that only the malodorous effects of someone's bank holiday indulgence will prevent it from having the most sweet smelling of take-offs. Not that the airline could have said the same last week when the jet reeked from every nook and cranny of 25 litres of concentrated garlic

The plastic drum of garlic, which when diluted makes more than 1,000 litres of food additive, split as it was being unloaded from the aircraft's rear cargo com-partment after being flown

SHOULD passengers detect a whiff of gartic in the cabin of British Airways
Boeing 737 G-BKYJ booked
the pungent smell contaminated and only the airms. nated not only the aircraft but the entire hangar in which it was parked.

The jet was towed to a maintenance area at Heathrow and subjected to no less than 12 different steam cleaning treatments, all to no avail. A Boeing 737 is a costly piece of equipment to keep idle and as successive attempts to deodorise the aircraft failed, BA became ever more desperate to put it back into revenue earning service.

Then someone remembered Ben Mattey whose tiny firm in Petworth, West Sussex, claimed to have removed all traces of contamination from Laker Airways jets when the cabin crew began to fall mysteriously ill, from the cruise ship Canberra and from several London hospitals. "When

we got to Heathrow we found a very smelly aircraft indeed," said Mr Mattey whose company, Shield Hy giene Paper and Chemical International, has developed a non-toxic cleaning agent called BVD. "We fed it into their high

pressure cleaning machines, into the air conditioning unit and into any other hidden part where we thought the smell might be lingering," Mr Mattey said. After two treatments there was no trace of the garlic smell. The seats were put back and G-BKYJ was ready

to be restored to service. "It must be the cleanest aircraft flying anywhere in the world," a spokesman for BA said. "We are just grateful for BVD."

BVD stands for bacterial virucidal disinfectant and Mr Mattey is now predicting a surge in interest in his

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# Bank offers £20,000 after JCB raiders rip out cashpoints

By Richard Ford, home correspondent

AN URGENT review of security at branches of the Abbey National banking group is under way after thieves drove a JCB digger through a front window and stole a cash dis-

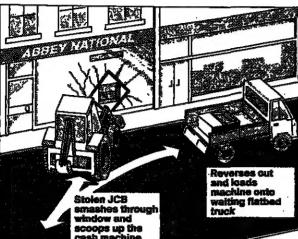
penser containing £60,000. The directors of the bank have offered a £20,000 reward for information leading to the conviction of thieves who have now raided five separate branches in south London, Kent and Surrey during the past five weeks, using similar methods.

Sir Christopher Tugendhat, chairman of the Abbey National, which has seven million customers and 660 branches, would not discuss the latest robbery, at a branch in the Hempstead Valley shopping centre on the outskirts of Gillingham, Kent, early on Sunday morning.

from a building site about a quarter of a mile away and drove it across fields to avoid a large housing estate. It was rammed through the

front window of the branch, ripping the cashpoint machine from its mountings. The raiders then scooped the machine into the digger's bucket, reversed and loaded it on to the back of a white Ford Transit truck which had been stolen the previous day from an industrial estate at

As in the four previous raids, the thieves struck between 3am and 4am and used a stolen digger. Scotland Yard said yesterday that each raid was being treated sepa-rately, although the officials at the bank believed that only one gang was involved. because of the similarity of



#### Muggers murder father

A MAN was stabbed to death and a friend wounded after they refused to hand over a leather jacket to a group of

Paul Carter, 24, of Walsall, West Midlands, was rushed to hospital where he later died. James Walker, 23, was stabbed repeatedly as he tried to cling on to his jacket. Last night ten men, aged between 16 and 24, were helping

police with their enquiries. The attack, on Saturday two men, accompanied by another, walked to a pub in Walsali. Mr Carter, who had two children, was caught and knifed in the chest. Mr Walker was stabbed in the back and suffered a punctured

Det Supt Brian Davies, of Walsall police, said that the attack was totally unprovoked. "The degree of violence used was horrendous. For the sake of a second-hand leather jacket, someone was prepared to murder one man and attempt to murder another. The number of wounds suggests that there was no other intention than to kill both men."

He said that the Walhouse Road and Sovereign Place area of Walsall, where the attack took place at 8.45pm, would have been busy and he appealed for witnesses to come forward.

He said the dead man, who made no attempt to fight back, managed to run only a few yards when he was overtaken by the gang, knocked to the ground and stabbed with a 5 in knife. Detectives are still looking for the weapon.

Mr Carter had two daughters, aged one month and two years. He was separated from his girl friend and lived alone in a flat in Walsall. Yesterday Mr Walker was sitting up and out of danger

#### Hawk man offers reward

By JOHN YOUNG

THE owner of two pairs of hawks stolen from aviaries ten miles apart yesterday offered a E1,000 reward for their safe return.

Mark Holden, 30, a milkman, said that two American Harris hawks were stolen from the garden of his terraced house in Lytchett Matravers, Dorset, on Saturday when he was out. The burglars also broke into his home

He then found that two young goshawks which he owned had been stolen from a friend's house at Bear Cross. The four birds were worth a total of £4,000, he said.

"I've been keeping birds for ten years and whoever stole them knew what they were doing," he said. "Both pairs of bird were stolen on the same day, which means the people must have known that one pair was being kept at a friend's house

"I think the burglary was an afterthought. They were really after the birds. They must have had a knowledge of birds because you can't just steal hawks without them kicking up a fuss. Female hawks are very aggressive when they're breeding." Mr Holden said he was

particularly concerned for one of the birds because she was about to lay. If she was grabbed, the egg could have broken inside her, which would be fatal. "I've been trying to breed from them for the last four years and this was about to be it."

The birds have identification rings on their legs. They are roughly the same size as rooks with 30in wingspans. The Harris hawks are black and brown with white-tipped tails, while the goshawks have white fronts, grey bodies and piercing orange eyes. Both species have yellow feet.

Last week, a buildozer was driven through the front of an Abbey National branch in West Norwood, southeast London, and two cash dispensers were stolen. They were loaded on to a van, but one fell on the pavement as the gang fled. Similar raids took place at Abbey National branches in Sutton, south London, on March 17; in Peckham, south London, on March 28; and in Bromley, southeast London, on April 2.

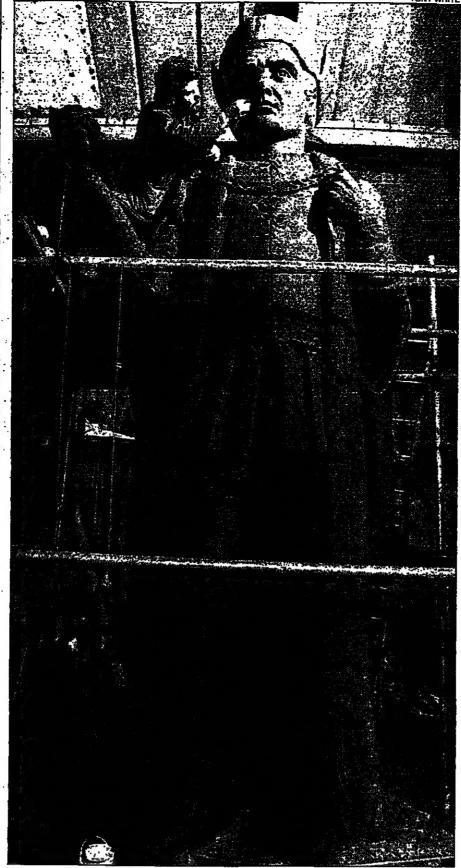
In a similar raid at a branch of the Nationwide Anglia buidling society in Cranleigh, Surrey, on April 4, raiders left a cashpoint machine, loaded with thousands of pounds, on the pavement. Three men backed a stolen skip lorry into the window, tied chains round the cash dispenser and wrenched it free. But as they drove away it slipped from the chains and

Abbey National is particularly vulnerable to this kind of attack because, unlike other banks, many of its cash dispensers are set in the branches glass froms. Most other banks cashpoints are set in walls.

Abbey National dispensers are mounted on concrete plinths inside the branch, but are only boited to the concrete and the force of being rammed can rip them free. It is thought the company will look at setting them in the

A spokesman for the bank. which holds its annual meeting tomorrow, said: "We are looking at additional security measures at our branches. We have security within the branches, but the video cameras are directed towards the cashiers' windows rather than the dispenser."

The raids are similar to the "ram raiding" of shop froms in which people drove stolen cars into the premises before looting them and driving off. Stores tried to combat the raids by replacing glass fronts with reinforced brick walls, and security advisers urged them to put bollards in front



Head to head: the sculptor Guy Portelli works on a giant statue of Sir Rowland Hill, the first Protestant lord mayor of London in 1549-50, which is to be mounted on a 112ft high column in the grounds of Hawkstone Park in Shropshire, the Hill family seat for several generations. The original 1795 statue, which fell in the 1930s, depicted Sir Rowland in his lord

mayor's gown, holding Magna Carta. From the platform on which the new statue will stand it is possible to see 12 counties. Often it was used as a beacon, as when news of Lord Nelson's victory at Trafalgar was announced: "Amid a roar of cannon and a grand display of fireworks, a huge fire was lit at the top of the column which could be seen for miles around."

#### **Functional Escort** outstrips chic rivals

BY KEVIN EASON MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

MOST drivers live a world away from the advertising man's image of highpowered cars carving a glamorous swath through the streets. Instead, the typical British motorist is a married man, aged between 25 and 44, who owns a car about seven years old, most likely a care of the care of t Ford Escort, which costs £113 a month to run.

He covers 8,000 miles a year, mostly to work and for shopping and family outings. and has little interest in maintaining his car, leaving repairs to the local garage, according to an Automobile Association survey of 12,000

The average age of the driving population is higher than a decade ago and some mo-toring costs, such as insurtoring costs, such as insur-ance, have risen steeply. Ten per cent of motorists were 65 or over in 1981, rising to 15 per cent by last year. There are fewer married people on the roads, down from 86 per cent to 71 per cent. But there are more women drivers — 38 per cent compared with 26 per cent a decade ago.

Seventy per cent drive a used car which cost an average of £2,700, and 63 per cent buy British, down from 74 per cent in 1981. The Ford Escort is the most wideby driven, owned by 9.7 per cent. Next most popular among men is the Vauxhall Cavalier (7.1 per cent) and the Ford Sierra (5.8 per cent). The most popular women's car is a Ford Fiesta, accounting for 9.6 per cent.

The survey notes greater restrictions on parking, ris-ing costs and the threat of theft. Fourteen per cent of motorists had at least one parking ticket in the year be-fore the survey. 19 per cent had their car stolen, and 34 per cent had it broken into. That led to the number of

motorists fitting car alarms rising from 5 per cent in 1981 to 17 per cent last year. in 1981, 8 per cent of the gverage driver's annual ex-penditure of £920 was for

nsurance. Premiums now account for 14 per cent of annual outgoings of £1.400.
Servicing and repairs have increased to 24 per cent of the family motoring budget compared with 20 per cent

#### **Aircraft** makes emergency landing

An aircraft with 33 passengers and crew made an emer-gency landing at Liverpool airport when its nose wheel failed to retract. No one was injured in the incident.

The Manx Airlines turbo

prop plane was examined by British Acrospace engineers and transport department accident investigators yesterday. Terry Liddiard, managing director of the airline, praised the skill of Captain Phil Scott, who had followed standard procedure. Just after taking off at 6.50pm on Sunday for a scheduled flight to the Isle of Man. Cpt Scott realised there was a hitch and, after circling for an hour, decided to about the flight. He dumped fuel and alerted the emergency services before landing.

#### Lifeboat tribute

The Duke of Kent, president of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, is to name a lifeboat called The Four Boys at Sennen Cove, Cornwall tomorrow in memory of four boys who died when they were swept out to sea during a school trip to Land's End seven years ago.

#### Boys charged

Two boys aged 15 were charged with stealing a cara-van and car which left three police cars damaged after a high speed chase. Hudders-field magistrates bailed one and placed the other in care.

#### Dog stars

A pet cemetery dating from Victorian days — including a headstone engraved "Darkie the Indomitable, died Nov 18. 1908" - has been found at Drymmau Hall, Skewen, West Glamorgan.

#### Coins found

A hoard of 800 silver coins thought to have been hidden in the 1480s has been found in a 9in jug in a field near Selby, North Yorkshire.

#### Just the ticket

Roger Dicker, 22, a Colches ter United supporter, has bought a £14 ticket to see his team play Witton Albion in the FA Trophy final at Wembley next month — and a £2,000 airline ticket to fly from Japan where he works.

### Shop fire blamed on extremists

BY CRAIG SETON

AN ARSON attack yesterday was believed to be responsible for a fire in Leicester that gutted a shop at the centre of protests by Muslims. The shop had been selling shoes embroidered with a quotation from the Koran.

Valentina's in Allandale Road, Leicester, was destroyed early yesterday in a blaze after a car crashed through the front window and caught fire. The fire came a week after Diana Lewis, the owner, was involved in a dispute over imported Italian shoes decorated with an embroidery that included an inscription from the Koran saying: "There is no God but Allah."

Some Muslims protested that it was deeply offensive to have the name of Allah on footwear that would be trampled in the dirt. Mrs Lewis, who also owns shoe shops in Peterborough and Nottingham, was reluctant to remove the shoes from sale and later received anonymous tele-

The dispute appeared to have been resolved last week when Mrs Lewis met local Muslims and a settlement was announced. It was believed to have involved a local Asian businessman buying the remaining stock of the

offending shoes and destroy-

ing them. Mrs Lewis, a Roman Catholic, blamed extremists for the fire and said: "I never imagined I would see anything like this. It is terrible. The people in the flat above the next shop could have been killed. I am sad to see this, all caused by some shoes. This is taking religion a little bit too far. It was like a Beirut carbomb.

A spokesman for the Leicester-based Moderate Islamic Trust said yesterday that he was saddened by what had happened and added: "We totally dissociate ourselves from this kind of thing. We would never encourage violence or damage of anyone's property in this way and condemn it in the strongest possible terms."

Leicestershire fire service said the blaze was being treated as arson. The ground floor of the shop was destroyed and the first and second floors were damaged by heat and

Inspector Neville Cotterill of Leicestershire police said they were examining the pos-sibility of a religious motive for the fire: "We are obviously looking into that aspect. That sort of background will be foremost in our minds."

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# Ponies could be killed by kindness

BY ALISON ROBERTS

THE Exmoor pony, the oldest and rarest native breed of pony, is threatened by government conservation proposals that could fatally weaken its resilience. Somerset farmers say.

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To try to protect heather moorland from over-grazing, the agriculture ministry is proposing to give grants to farmers if they take all livestock, including ponies, off the moor and into farms during the winter. The Exmoor Pony Society says that there would be no room for the ponies on farms and that they would have to be slaughtered.

The ministry emphasised yesterday that the scheme would be voluntary. But the society's secretary. David Mansell, claimed that no grants would be paid until all the animals on the

common land, which is used by many farmers, were removed. This would mean that pony owning farmers who did not want to remove the animals would be put under pressure to take part in the scheme

Mr Mansell said: "We agree with the objective of the proposal, but this could be met by removing sheep and cattle which are used to grazing in fields. If the ponies are taken off as well, even just for the winter, the natural characteristics of coat structure and diet would quickly become weakened, producing a pony that could not survive unaided out on the moor."

Farmers' dedication to the survival of the ponies would be tested if feeding costs and veterinary charges had to be met. Most of the ponies have never been handled by humans. They are reluctant to eat hay even in the hardest winter and some farmers say that they would not survive well on farms. Exmoor ponies are an endangered

breed, with just under 800 ponies worldwide. Of the 260 known breeding mares, half belong to the herds on Exmoor. The animals, which stand under 12 hands 2in, have lived on the moor since ancient times grazing on gorse, rushes and heather. Robert Mitchell, whose family owns

a stallion and eight mares, described the proposals as "total rubbish". He said: "It would be impossible for some farmers to look after them and they would have to be destroyed." A spokesman for the ministry said it was hoped to implement the scheme within the year and that it would be closely

# High cost of reform forces rethink over single-tier councils

By Douglas Broom, local government correspondent

PLANS to reorganise local government in England might be shelved as ministers attempt to control public

Michael Howard, the environment secretary, has told advisers that the cost of fullscale reform may be too high and has indicated that he is considering a much more limited plan involving about a dozen big cities. His predecessor, Michael

Heseltine, had an uphill struggle to persuade his cabiner colleagues of the merits of replacing county and district councils with a single tier of all-purpose authorities.

Senior colleagues, including Chris Patten, the Conser-

emerged from Mr Heseltine's search for a replacement for the community charge. Mr Heseltine, now trade and industry secretary, won the cab-inct battle and the Local Government Act, which gained Royal Assent shortly before the election, created a new local government commission with powers to create unitary authorities. Mr Hes-eltine expected the commission to create new unitary authorities in almost every part of England except London and the metropolitan ar-

different strands of policies

for derelict areas. For Mr Walker, who re-

tired from the Commons at

the election, the agency's wide

remit hands him the prospect

inward investment, although

it accounted for only 5 per cent of the population.

Besides having responsibility for acquiring and redeveloping derelict land in inner cities. Mr Walker will take over control of the urban development corporations.

He will look for foreign com-

He will look for foreign companies and entrepreneurs to

Howard to lose inner-cities role

By John Lewis and Sheila Gunn

MICHAEL Howard, the new environment secretary, is to lose a substantial part of his inner-cities portfolio under the government's shake-up of of expanding the policies he carried out in Wales into England. Under his steward-ship, Wales attracted more than 20 per cent of Britain's investigations of Britain's

urban renewal policy.

The decision to shift most of the responsibility for inner cities to the new urban regeneration agency, under Peter Walker, deprives Mr Howard of a big postion of his budget.

of a big portion of his budget. One of Mr Howard's first jobs in the new Parliament will be to introduce legislation to set up the agency, which he has worked on for nine months. The mass transfer of responsibilities to Mr Walker will be regarded at Westminster as a blow for Tory right-wingers such as Mr Howard and John Redwood, his minister with day-to-day respon-sibility for inner cities. During the election campaign, John Major and his ministers played up plans for

cas where they already exist. Sir John Banham, director general of the CBI who was named as chairman of the commission last November has, however, said that his

possibly Warrington.
Such a limited reform would, in effect, recreate the old county boroughs by giv-ing the existing district councils in each city control of services such as education and social services, which passed to the county councils in 1974.

it ain't broke don't fix it." Mr

Howard, who took over the

environment department last

week, has made it clear that

he shares Sir John's view and

that he has yet to be con-vinced of the merits of a

wholesale reorganisation. He

believes the costs, both in

terms of money and disrup-

tion, may be too great at a time when ministers are try-

ing to curb public spending.

He has suggested giving unitary status to the larger

cities which are not already all-purpose metropolitan au-thorities. Among the names

being discussed are Bristol, Derby, Hull, Leicester, Not-tingham, Norwich, Oxford, Peterborough, Plymouth,

Stoke on Trent, York, and

Mr Howard wants to talk to local authority leaders be-fore making a final decision. His views are likely to upset the district councils, which have campaigned for the abo-lition of the counties. The government will risk attacks from Conservative councillors across the country if it disap-points those hopes.

Mr Howard's limited pro-

posals would still achieve the ambition of removing unpop-ular counties such as Avon and Humberside. Whatever the eventual form of the new structure, Bristol, with 374,000 people one of the largest boroughs in Britain, seems certain to regain its municipal independence.

invest in deprived areas. Mr Howard's decision will Mr Heseitine, who sees the agency as an engine for social change, described it as the "next logical and major step not affect Wales, where David Hunt, the Welsh secretary, has promised to create of 23 unitary authorities to replace all eight county and 37 disin a very exciting programme for urban regeneration".



Floral tribute: visitors to the French quarter of New Orleans add their flowers to gifts and messages placed at the point where the British tourist Julie Stott, 27. was shot dead by a mugger last week. Robert "Peanut" Jones, 19, has been charged with her murder

# Short levels in semi-final

NIGEL Short has levelled the

The moves in Game 5, with Karpov playing white, were white Black Walte Black

# Latter-day Doolittle struggles to survive

By JOHN YOUNG

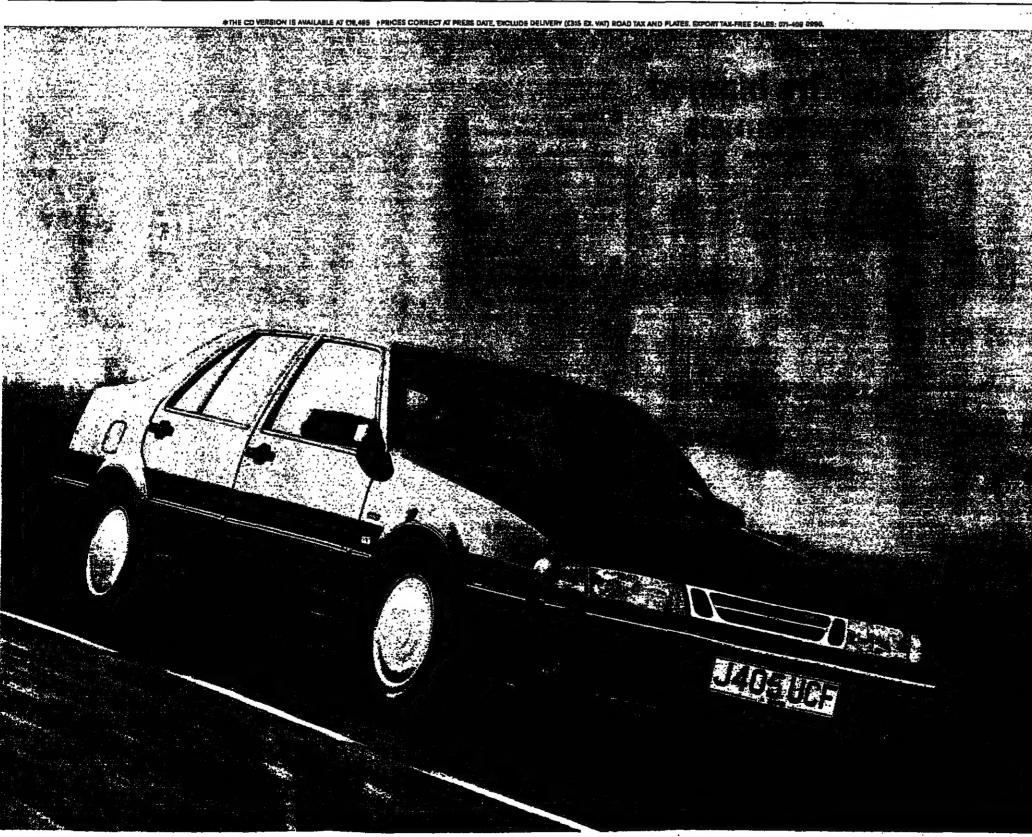
ALL you need is a little bit of luck to find yourself on easy street. So sang Alfred Doolittle in My Fair Lady. Nowadays Doolittle, a coalman, would need more than luck not to find himself on the dole needed to a support by dole, according to a survey by the Coal Merchants' Federation. More than half of 2,000

people questioned had not seen a coalman within the past year — although there are still 10,000 of them — and more than a fifth, mostly young, said that they did not know how to light a fire. The highest proportion of coal fires is in Scotland, and the lowest in London, although

Nearly three million homes

more than eight million they have been blocked up. More than half of those interviewed thought that coal supplies were running out or did not know. In fact, the federation says, world coal resources are greater Supplies in the United Kingdom will last for 300 years, whereas those of oil will be past their peak by the end of

the century. The federation gests that coal fires are healthier than gas or oil fired central heating, because they reduce condensation in the



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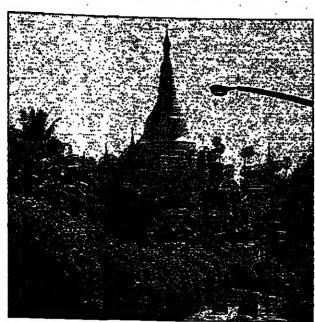
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# Rangoon awakes from a 50-year sleep to discover blue jeans



Changing ways: among Buddhist pagodas signs of modernism are seen on Rangoon's streets

capital, Rangoon, the airline stewardess was reputed to say: "Please adjust your watch to local time - 30 years

The joke no longer holds rue. Martial law is changing the city quickly. Burma has . opened up to foreign investment and tourists and the road from the airport is a new six-lane highway. The old British colonial buildings are being repainted and the graceful Strand Hotel, once a romantic stop on the tourist's schedule, is being refurbi-shed. Billboards advertise American Express and Visa

The consumer society has reached Rangoon and goods imported from Thailand and China are stacked up in the stores. Blue jeans, once a scarce item, hang rack upon rack in the night markets.

Since the takeover by the military in 1988, Burma's capital has doubled in size and embraced the market economy, Abby Tan writes from Rangoon

"Rangoon was asleep for 50 years." says one city official. The mayor is Colonel Ko Lay, 53, a former paratrooper. Since the military junta took power in 1988. Rangoon has expanded from 113 to 225 square miles, mainly because of five new satellite towns built to resettle the city's half-million squatters. The army has mobilised "voluntary" brigades of able-bodied men to clean the city and

Speaking in a city auditorium of gilt ceilings and pink columns, the mayor told a fund-raising ceremony why he needed 30 million kyats

(£2.6 million at the official rate) for a two-week national sports festival beginning on May 3: £1 is worth 12.5 kyats at the official rate of exchange but fetches 155 on the black market. Actresses and pop singers came to pledge their support and have their pictures taken with the mayor. Donations, the mayor says, are a Burmese way of life - a reference to the tradition of donating food to the Bud-

Rangoon is learning from Singapore, another Asian city that thrived under authoritarian rule. Some of the Ranliving has improved.

Khin Kyi Htay, a civil engineer, works for a foreign businessman, and has bought a new Japanese car. Like many middle-class Burmese, she clams up on the subject of politics. Asked if she is bothered by the lack of democracy, she replied: "I don't like politics. I don't read newspapers." Asked how she felt when the pro-democracy movement was crushed by the army in 1988, she replied: "I pray to the Lord Buddha for peace and tranquillity."

On the outskirts of Rangoon the new satellite towns tell a different story. The red day road into one of them. Dagon township, is desolate. Some houses are wood structures on stilts with palm leaf roofings. Others are tiled, like square concrete boxes painttown" is the message scrawled in English on a new con-

crete bridge. The paradox is that although Burma moved towards a free market economy in 1988, these townships practise the very tenets of socialism the government is trying to leave behind. The Burmese here are heavily subsidised. Water, electricity and medical care are free, and building materials are subsidised.

Settlers have mixed feelings about the townships. Than Nu, a widow aged 50, said she borrowed 3,500 kyats to buy a 40ft by 60ft plot of land. The price is equivalent to about £300 at the official exchange rate but £25 at the black market rate. "Now that I am the owner of my house I am happy," she said. Her three sons, who work in a restaurant in central Ranall residents of Dagon travel to the capital to wor

But there are unhappy tlers too. Thein Nyunt, a 60, was given a plot of l far from the main road. shook his head and o plained: "The governm ordered me here. I am happy. We have no electri and no water." Corruga iron sheets are his tempora walls in a one-room hor which he shares with his wi four grown-up children as two grandchildren.

Mayor Ko Lay said co struction of the townshi took 10 per cent of the na ional budget. No one know for sure the size of the subdies but the public sector de: cit in 1991 was close to 14 pe cent of gross domestic prouct. The subsidies are likely t

# Court overturns stay of killer's execution

FROM JAMIE DETTMER IN WASHINGTON

LEGAL attempts to win a reprieve for Robert Alton Harris continued last night up to the moment that the convicted killer was being prepared for the gas chamber at California's San Quentin

Harris, sentenced to death for killing two San Diego teenagers in 1978, had hoped on Easter Sunday that he would escape the gas chamber after a federal judge granted a ten-day stay of exe-cution. But yesterday, a threejudge appellate court overturned the order, allowing the execution to be carried out on schedule at one minute past midnight local time today, or

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Lawyers for Harris and the American Civil Liberties Union were looking for ways in the hours leading up to his execution to plead the case before the US Supreme

MAYOKS USUALLY ARE KEED TO

prevent confrontation on

their city streets. James Grif-

fin, the mayor of Buffalo, is different. His invitation to a

fundamentalist pro-life group

to visit his city led to predict-

able and ugly clashes yester-

day outside Buffalo's three

Obscenities were hurled be-

tween pro-life and pro-choice

demonstrators as members of

Operation Rescue, an anti-

abortion group attempted to

blockade the clinics. Leaders on both sides of the abortion

debate promised non-violent

demonstrations, but few be-

lieved that Buffalo would

avoid what happened to

Wichita, Kansas, last year

when Operation Rescue carne

During the six-week pro-

tests in Wichita, police made more than 2,000 arrests and

the city had to fork out nearly

\$500,000 (£287,000) on

police overtime pay. Yester-

day in Buffalo, about 300

abortion rights demonstra-

tors gathered before dawn

outside one of the city's clinics

in readiness for the start of

Operation Rescue's four-week

Most of the 328,000 resi-

abortion clinics.

to town.

to prevent Harris from becoming the first man to be executed in California in a quarter of a century. Opponents of capital punishment fear that if the state resumes refrained from carrying out the death penalty will follow. The ten-day order, issued

by Judge Marilyn Hall Patel on Saturday, surprised legal experts. The judge's order came in response to a civil liberties lawsuit on behalf of Harris and more than 300 other immates on California's death row. The argument, that the use of lethal gas was "cruel and unusual punishment", was seen by legal ob-servers as a futile, last-ditch attempt to save Harris after a 13-year campaign through state and federal court ap-

peals to stop his execution.
"We presented overwhelming evidence to Judge Patel that the use of lethal gas was

cally-depressed, predom-inantly Roman Catholic city,

have been bracing themselves

for the last few weeks for the

expected disruption. Both

pro-life and pro-choice

groups announced that they

would make Buffalo a show

US mayor invites

clash on abortion

By Jamie Dettmer

is about the method of death. It does not set anyone free. It does not change anyone's

penalty yesterday accused Judge Patel of being swayed by personal views. Judge Patel is a former board member of the civil liberties union. trict Court of Appeals over-turned Judge Patel's order were not clear yesterday. De-tails of the court's decision were not immediately

If the temporary restrain-ing order had stood, the state would have been forced to ask for another death warrant from the courts, a process that would have taken 40

days. Harris, 39, was sentenced in 1979. Accompanied by his brother, Harris kidnapped two boys from a fast-food restaurant, drove them in their car to a secluded spot, shot them at point-blank range, finished their ham-burgers and then went on to

Protests continued yesterday outside San Quentin and in San Francisco's Marina Green Park where demonstrators draped themselves with cardboard tombstones bearing the names of the 502 people executed in California since 1893.

Maryland, Arizona, Mississippi and North Carolina still officially use lethal gas for executions. However, Maryland has not had an execution since 1961 and Arizona has begun the legislative process to change its method of carrying out the death

their client has been on death row. Their grounds have ranged from arguing that the original jury did not realise he is mentally impaired to claim-ing that his brother took a greater role in the shootings.



Harris: due to go to the gas chamber today

Paul, Minnesota, is planning

to set up the nation's first

shelter for battered

Buoyed by statistics that

show that women are just as

likely to beat up their hus-

bands as men are to assault

their wives, the Domestic

Rights Coalition argues that

there should be sexual

equality in the provision of

shelters. "Hey, men, if you

are being slapped, kicked or

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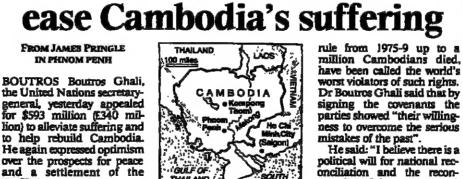
you don't have to take it

anymore," George Gilliland,

the group's founder, pro-

claimed in The New York

husbands.



UN chief appeals for aid to

chief, who toured a transit camp for returning Cambodians on Sunday, promised yesterday that they would all be back before elections next April, "even if we have to bring them by plane". One of the main problems is that most available land is still thick with mines.

Speaking at the royal palace, Dr Bourros Ghali said that the role of the UN was not limited just to blue beret troops keeping the peace. We are committed to cementing the peace through genuine reconciliation. In ambodia, this means reaching the long-neglected vulnerable groups in society with succour and support. It also means providing economic. social and technical assistance to former antagonists."

Earlier, he witnessed the leaders of the four factions, including Khieu Samphan, the nominal Khmer Rouge chieftain, signing two international covenants on political and human rights. The Khmer Rouge, under whose

have been called the world's worst violators of such rights. Dr Boutros Ghali said that by signing the covenants the parties showed "their willingness to overcome the serious mistakes of the past".

He said: "I believe there is a

political will for national rec-

Double vision: a policeman watches a young woman worker taking aim during rifle practice in central Peking yesterday. Apart from the very young and the very old, all Chinese citizens are required to undergo compulsory military training at least once in their lives

onciliation and the reconstruction of the country. And I believe Prince Sihanouk's visdom and leadership will help us overcome all difficul-ties." UN officials privately concede that there are still great problems to be solved. Dr Boutros Ghali later lef for Thailand, on the third stage of a four-nation Asiar

tour, including China. MIA talks: Five American senators held talks yesterday with Cambodian officials to ess progress in resolving the issue of Americans listed as missing in action from the Vietnam war which ended 17 years ago. The members of the Senate select committee on PoW/MIA affairs arrived in Phnom Penh vesterday

morning, led by John Kerry,

Senator Kerry said that his group had held productive talks with Hun Sen, the prime minister, interior ministry officials and diplomats. The delegation will travel to Vietnam today and later visit Laos to seek more co-operation in accounting for more than 2,000 US servicemen missing since 1975. (AP)

#### Kim's grand design fails to scale the socialist heights

David Watts writes from Pyongyang on the limits to gigantism in a city where one may peruse 37 volumes by the Great Leader in comparative peace

TOWERING over President Kim Il Sung's North Korean capital is a 105-storey pyramid-shaped hotel. Pyongyang also has an Arch of Triumph, one metre higher than the Parislan original, and what is said to be the world's tallest stone tower, symbolising Mr Kim's nationalist *juche* theory of

The magnificent new hotel owes its inspiration not to Mr Kim, but to the son of the 'Great Leader", Kim Jong II, known as the "Dear Leader" As you draw near to examine this new triumph of socialism, you notice that it is unfinished and has clearly been so for some time. It is rumoured that no company in existence could supply the necessary lifts because the structure could not support

their weight at the apex. But there could be another problem. The funds for the project were put up by a Macau businessman. At the foot of the hotel, he seems to have planned to make serious money by installing a massage parlour of suitably heroic proportions. At first everyone went along with the idea. not least, apparently, the Dear Leader, who is said to have an eye for the ladies. But when the scale of the plans became clear, there were second thoughts. Not for our businessman the occasional tired Japanese salaryman popping in after negotiating barter deals, but planeloads of them flown in from Japan on Saturday and dispatched back home on Sunday. Even the less austere cadres were not quite ready for that, given that Kim père's career has been built upon the myth that he drove the Japanese imper-

most single-handed. The capital already has more sober attractions. For North Koreans with time to spare between work and the next indoctrination session. Pyongyang offers the Grand People's Study House. A massive pile in the classic Korean style of architecture, it boasts 600 rooms and 30 million books, or so the official guides

ial army from Manchuria al-

Available from the more than 160 miles of shelves is

England Journal of Medicine, in Korean translation. Marx and Lenin are there in the original and in translation (but no Trotsky). And a visit also provides some respite from the incessant revolutionary songs played over the public address system in apartments and on the streets from six every morning. Most of the rooms are busy, and there is even a professor ready to answer questions. There is also a room devoted to the



Kim II Sung: career built on war record

study of the works of the 'Great Leader", with volume 37 hot off the press. When I looked in, it was deserted.

President Kim has just celebrated his 80th birthday, and everyone was expected to bring a present to the party. Prince Norodom Sihanouk. the Cambodian leader. brought a silver bowl and showed a film he had made back home. President Museveni of Uganda brought some African tribal artifacts which left Mr Kim rather puzzled.

A BBC man proffered a corporation T-shirt. Unsure of its ideological appropriateness, he found, slightly to his surprise, that it was accepted only to be returned because it wasn't properly wrapped.

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rates for mortgages completed on or after 28th January 1992.



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case, a replay of Wichita.

Alison Jones, a spokeswoman for the pro-choice Planned Parenthood organisation, warned that they would encourage "thousands of troops" to defend the Buffalo clines. "We won't have Buffa-Harris's lawyers have filed 20 appeals over the 13 years lo as a place where choice is not defended." Karen Swallow of Operation Rescue said

they planned to put doctors who perform abortions out of Mr Griffin, who has been mayor since 1978, is fervently anti-abortion. "If Operation

Rescue wants to come into our city, fine," he says The city's council is less than pleased. By 12 to one it declared Operation Rescue was not welcome. With the

city budget running an \$18 million deficit, the councillors argued that there was no money to spare for extra.

# INTEREST RATE CHANGE

The Society hereby gives notice that

There will be no change to interest

Battered husbands find a refuge Brow-beaten husbands in America will soon have a are just bigger and tougher husband on fire because he than women and so less likeplace to seek sanctuary from ly to get hurt, but members their domineering wives. A men's rights group in St

**NEW YORK NOTEBOOK** by James Bone

of the burgeoning men's movement cite a 1985 study of 6,000 couples which asked each partner how often they resorted to violence and intimidation. Women were slightly more likely than men to have slapped, kicked, bitten or punched their nearest and dearest.

Dr Boutros Ghali was end-

ing a three-day visit to inspect

the world body's ambitious

peacekeeping operation. He

said funds were needed "to help this beleaguered nation

recover from more than two

decades of conflict and suffer-

ing". The cash inflow, he

added, would also ensure that

the political process which

had put Cambodia on the

road to democracy would not

Sitting next to Prince Noro-

dom Sihanouk, chairman of

Cambodia's Supreme Nat-

ional Council, the UN-man-

dated reconciliation body

linking the four Cambodian

factions, Dr Boutros Ghali

said the funds would pay for

food, health services, shelter,

education, training and the

restoration of the basic infra-

structure and public utilities.

Some money would go to-wards repatriating 370,000

refugees now in camps along

the Thai-Cambodian border.

which began late last month.

is part of the accords signed

last October in Paris. The UN

The repatriation process,

be compromised.

Women were also more likely to have threatened their partner with a knife or om. Men were slightly more likely to have beaten up their spouses or choked them. Both sexes were equally likely to have used a gun or knife on a partner.

As if to prove men's point, a California woman has been arrested for setting her cancer-ridden Feminists argue that men

ate a chocolate Easter bunny she wanted. June Carter, 69, said in an interview from jail that she just snapped after 35 years of caring for her husband, Paul, 62, who has been suffering from lung cancer for the past four years and can barely walk. She had to change his nappies regularly and could barely sleep at night because he watched television constantly.

Jailed because she could not raise bail, she said she only meant to scare ber husband when she splashed a teaspoonful of rubbing alcohol over him. "I had matches in my hand," she said. "It just went up. I really didn't

Mr Carter was admitted to hospital with third-degree

body. "I'd rather go back with him." Mrs Carter said. "I happen to be in love with

Even George Bush is showing signs these days of living in fear of the apparently amiable Barbara. Taking a walk on a beach near his holiday home in Maine. President Bush confided in Desert Storm lingo that he was "trying to avoid Barbara Bush's first strike zone". He was objecting to Barbara's efforts to fix up their home at Walker's Point after it was damaged severely by a storm last Oc-tober. "She puts you to work moving furniture." Mr Bush complained, with the same vehemence he showed when he disavowed broccoli

# Syria's failure to defy UN sanctions exposes Arab splits

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

grand RIA. rapidly re-emerging meader of the radical Arabates, was foiled yesterday by Stow Arabs and others in its empt to fly the first United rations sanctions-breaking a to Libya.

SThe failure of the muchavertised Syrian flight to Caterialise came as a severe low to the Libyan regime, creasing its international plation. It coincided with an mouncement from Tripoli lat the few Western journalrabs working for Western ews organisations must ase reporting.

The action against journalts prompted renewed diplo-tatic speculation that Colnel Muammar Gaddafi was

THE release yesterday of Ali Kafaidi, Saudi Arabia's am-

bassador to Yemen, after

being held by a Yemeni gun-man for 19 hours in his office

in the capital, Sanaa, is the

latest of a series of potentially

explosive border disputes

plaguing the Gulf.
Although the stated motive for the hold-up was a ransom of \$1 million (£600.000), Mr

Kafaidi said the gunman

claimed to need the cash for

an unidentified group. Ye-men, which angered the Sau-

dis by backing Iraq, sent in a

squad of commandos, one of

whom, disguised as a waiter,

threw a cup of scalding tea

A long-running border dis-

rute between the two nations

has been revived this month.

into the gunman's face.

encountering divisions inside his regime about the handling of the dispute over the two Libyans allegedly involved in the Lockerbie bombing. The Egyptian media have carried a number of reports claiming that Colonel Gaddafi is being upstaged by his hardline deputy. Major Abdel-Salam Jalloud. The reports said the major was preventing the Libyan leader from implementing any compromise over the two agents

Pan Am jumbo in 1988. The enforced grounding of the scheduled flight from Da-mascus to Tripoli was caused by the refusal of Cyprus, Greece, Egypt and Tunisia to give the plane, the first publi-

Others have emerged be-tween Bahrain and Qatar and between Iran and the

United Arab Emirates. A

United Nations border com-

mission last week foreshad-

owed yet another by giving Kuwait several Iraqi oil wells.

Tension between Saudi Arabia and Yemen increased

when the Saudis warned two

Western oil companies

against drilling in a Yemeni-

Iran last week denied that it

had expelled hundreds of

UAE citizens from the once-

disputed Gulf island of Abu

Musa which it administers

jointly with Sharjah, a

shaikhdom within the UAE.

workers and cut aid.

**Border squabbles** 

fuel Gulf tension

BY CHRISTOPHER WALKER

suspected of blowing up the

cised attempt to break sanctions, the necessary overflying permission. An official of Syrian Arab Airlines claimed that it would continue to try to Libya. But Arab diplomatic sources said that was unlikely to be granted.

Instead of demonstrating Arab unity, as intended, the attempted flight had proved a public relations disaster, highlighting that members of the 21-strong Arab League (to which Syria and Libya both belong) disagree over the sanctions. An editorial in the Libyan daily Al Fajr al Jadid, which claimed that the proposed flight was "inter-nal", had a hollow ring. "The Arab nation is one jentity] and flights between its countries are in fact domestic flights which necessitate no interference from international bodies," the paper argued in vain. Last week Egypt rebuffed a Libyan suggestion that the two countries should merge in another attenued. merge in another attempted way round the sanctions.

As the Syrian plane was failing to make its planned take off from Damascus. President Assad of Syria was continuing an emergency tour of the oil-rich Gulf states intended to whip up support for Libya from their conservative leaders and to win backing against any future such UN moves against Syria.

Intelligence sources said Mr Assad was disturbed by efforts in the Western media to lay part of the blame for controlled region claimed by Saudi Arabia, which last year expelled a million Yemeni Lockerbie at Syria's door and believed that the Gulf states, led by Saudi Arabia, carried diplomatic weight in Wash-ington. One Gulf-based dip-lomat said that Mr Assad's view was "Today Libya, to-morrow Syria". He added that Mr Assad was attempting to secure diplomatic returns for his strong backing for the anti-Iraq coalition during the 1991 Gulf war.

In Damascus, the ruling party's paper Al Baath urged Arabs to unify to confront "the big dangers that fol-lowed the establishment of a new world order". The paper added: "Most of what is taking place in the world of today seems to be directed against the Arabs more than others."

Libya's isolation was increased when Middle East virlines, the national carrier of Lebanon, a country under Syrian influence, announced that it had suspended its weekly flight from Beirut to Tripoli because of problems in obtaining insurance. Cynics said those problems gave Arab countries not wishing to offend Libya a convenient way of abiding by the sanc-tions while appearing not



Business as usual: a Palestinian businessman and an orthodox Jew shake on a deal in Hebron yesterday near the Cave of the Patriarchs, a holy site visited by hundreds of Jews during the Passover holiday

# Israel to reopen rebellious university on West Bank

BIR Zeit University on the West Bank, for 20 years a focus of resistance to the Israeli occupation, will be allowed to reopen this month, after Israeli military authori-ties lifted a four-year ban on

the campus yesterday. In a surprise announcement, Moshe Arens, the defence minister, said that some classes would be allowed to resume on condition that the university authorities bore responsibility for ensuring that the campus did not become a

focal point of violence". Albert Aghazarian, the university's spokesman, said that two of the four faculties, engineering and science, would reopen for about half the student body on April 29 on a probationary basis. "We are not euphoric, but it is a step in the right direction," he said. "We will be under close observation from the army and we will have to endure this absurd Kafkaesque routine until they are satisfied and allow us to reopen the arts and business faculties. However, we are convinced that the students are eager to resume studies and will avoid any unnecessary confrontations.

The move was seen partly

as a reaction to the decline in

under discussion at this con-

gress, the first since Russia

became a fully independent

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principle, which will deter-mine Russia's future struc-

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As all sides appreciate, one

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the balance of power in Russia at least until the next con-

gress, and perhaps for good.

That is why the congress has

lasted 13 days already, and

has at least one more day to

Classes will resume soon at Bir Zeit campus, a centre of Palestinian

resistance, writes Richard Beeston

number of intifada-related incidents and as a possible attempt by the government of Yitzhak Shamir to improve the climate before next week's moribund Middle East peace talks due to open in Washing-ton. The stalled negotiations are likely to be the last before the Israeli general elections on June 23, when Mr Shamir, the prime minister, will be under pressure from the electorate to prove that some benefit has come of the

Aithough the government move is expected to be wel-comed in the West, it drew predictable criticism from far-right Israeli politicians, such as the leader of the Moledet party, Rehavam Zeevi, who said: "The university, like others in the territories, is nothing but an ulpan [school] for terrorism out of

graduated in the murder and cilling of Jews."

Bir Zeit, the most presti-gious Palestinian academic institution, was a magnet for anti-Israeli activity long be-fore the authorities closed it down by military order on January 8, 1968, a month after the intifada began.

Located in the picturesque hills of the West Bank, north of Jerusalem, the university first won its radical reputation in November 1974 when its president, Hanna Nasir, was deponed by the Israeli authorities. In subsequent years both the faculty and the student body were involved in regular confronta-

tions with the army.

Even when the university was closed, and classes for most of the 2,600 students facilities in nearby Ramaliah. the college still maintained its political credentials within the Palestinian community. When the Middle East peace talks opened in Madrid, for instance, five members of the Palestinian delegation were Bir Zeit professors, most notably Hanan Ashrawi, the Palestinian spokeswoman and a professor of English.

### Sharansky to contest election

BY RICHARD BEESTON

SOFT-SPOKEN Natan Sharansky, the former Soviet refusenik and now a potential candidate in Israel's general elections, has the knack of infuriating those in power.

After nine years in the Soviet gulags as a prisoner of conscience fighting for the right of Jews to emigrate, Israel's most prominent Russian immigrant has turned his guns on the political es-tablishment in Israel, threat-ening to launch a new party. Although Mr Sharansky

previously has refused to en-ter politics, declining offers from Likud, Labour and the new Soviet immigrant party. Da, he has declared that reluctantly he intends to fight the June 23 election in de peration at what he regards as the bankrupt policies of the

main parties.
"He wants to fight the election by putting what he sees as the main issues up front, namely the importance of completing the immigration of Russian Jewry and the need to get the Israeli economy working." said his

### Ousted leader can leave Kabul

Kabul: Afghan guerrillas claimed yesterday to control all key cities apart from Kabul as the ousted president. Mu-hammad Najibullah, prepared to fly out of the country. The embattled government

had agreed in talks with a United Nations envoy to allow Dr Najibullah, deposed last Thursday, to leave and he was likely to fly out later yesterday.

All over the country government forces appeared to be giving up without a fight. preferring to strike a deal with the advancing Muja-hidin guerrillas rather than risk a bloodbath. Officials in Kabul said that

the crucial city of Jalalabad eastern gateway to the capital - was still in government hands, but its commander was negotiating the formation of a coalition with the rebels. A spokesman in the ruling Watan party said that General Afzal Ludin, the garrison commander in Jalala-bad, 90 miles east of Kabul.

was leading the talks. Control of Kandahar in the south had already passed into the hands of a coalition of Mujahidin and the local commander. "There was no violence. The Mujahidin agreed not to take their weapons into the city. Kabul is no longer in

control," the spokesman said. The Kabul government, which is surrounded by Mujahidin and weakened by defections, has been forced to negotiate transfers of power in the main cities, but the government is hoping to maintain at least a measure of authority and some bargaining power. (Reuter)

#### Crew rescued

Hong Kong: A Royal Navy ship, HMS Plover, assisted in the rescue of 26 seamen after an explosion ripped through a 30,000-tonne Liberian-registered oil tenter, billion to istered oil tanker, killing two of the crew in the South

#### Lava slows

Mount Etna: Stiff winds thwarted an attempt by helicopter-borne troops to plug an underground river of lava feeding a tide of molten rock down Mount Ema. But the flow of lava towards the town of Zafferana slowed. (Reuter)

Aid ban eased

Nairobi: Sudan has eased a two-month ban on relief flights to the rebel-held south under way, but rebels said people would still be left without food and many thousands face starvation. (AFP)

#### Leak plugged

Chicago: Engineers have plugged the leak in a century-old tunnel that flooded the basements of scores of buildings here, causing 200,000 people to be evacuated. (AFP)

Support grows for professional parliament

# Deputies want congress laid to rest

NIKOLAI Podgornov, a Russian congress deputy from the northern town of Vologda and the chairman of his local council, left Moscow on Saturday to fend off a strike by agricultural workers at home and he has no intention of coming back. From Vologda, he said it was time that Russia had a professional parliament.

Congresses, he said, were a waste of time. Too many deputies attended to show off to their constituents - proceedings are broadcast on television - and fewer and fewer decisions were taken.

Rumblings in the lobby and even the occasional speech in the hall demonstrate that Mr Podgornov is not alone in his view that the Congress of People's Deputies as an institution has outlived its usefulness and should be laid to rest. Because of the powers vested in the congress and the balance of political forces in Russia, however, this is more easily said than done.

The Congress of People's Deputies is Russia's supreme legislative body, the only body authorised to change the constitution. The standing parliament, whose membership is rotated annually among deputies, does not have this right.

President Yeltsin, like-Mikhail Gorbachev before him, has indicated repeatedly that he wants to enact reforms within the bounds of the constitution. The constitution in its present form does not give the president the right to dissolve congress. Unless he can perWhile some deputies consider congress to be a waste of time, it still determines Russia's future structure and reforms, Mary Dejevsky writes from Moscow

solve itself, Mr Yeltsin must the congress - or encourage it to delegate its powers to the standing parliament.

Mr Yeltsin's reputation also requires him to act within the constitution. Abroad, though to a far lesser extent at home, his democratic credentials have been suspect. Were he unilaterally to dissolve the congress and rule by decree, this would concions and halt much Western goodwill, as well as aid. Some would argue that the deputies, who were elected two years ago, are no longer representative of opinion across the country. This may be true. Nonetheless, they were elected, and many have significant local powerbases. The position of Mr Yeltsin and his government is not so strong that he can ignore these local empires without

go - and why Mr Podgorrisking his authority. nov might have done better firm people's worst suspi-Finally, the questions to stay the course.

Songs of praise: Muscovites singing their support for President Yeltsin, who has been under attack from deputies at the people's congress

#### **Fuel cost** soars in Moscow

BY MARY DEJEVSKY

MOSCOW motorists were shocked to discover yesterday morning that prices of petrol and diesel fuel had quintu-pled overnight. Filling up the most common Lada car will now cost the unheard-of sum

Eduard Grushevenko, the Russian minister of fuel and energy, insisted that the price change should not be seen as an increase, but rather as an adjustment to compensate for increased production costs.

He said he did not envisage the need for further rises.

The immediate decision to raise retail prices for petrol rests with the city council, which buys fuel in bulk from the producers and could shows to subsidies the cost if choose to subsidise the cost if it had the money. Some cities raised petrol prices before Moscow, which gave them priority in supplies. Other re-gions now have little alternative but to fall into line.

While Moscow's drivers were complaining, petrol is still the cheapest aspect of motoring in Russia and cheap by international standards as well. A private car here is still a luxury. Even before retail prices were freed in January, few could afford a

Most had to buy second-hand cars on the unofficial market at prices of 15,000 to 20,000 roubles for a Lada and more for other models. Cars therefore cost about 50 times the average monthly salary in Russia, compared with about five times in Britain. Petrol costs a fraction of what it does in Britain.

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW AND ROBERT SEELY IN KIEV

Yeltsin to reshuffle government

PRESIDENT Yeltsin was preparing a further reorganisation of government and presidential structures yesterpresidential structures yester-day to fulfil his half of the bargain struck earlier with the parliamentary opposi-tion. He is expected to appoint a new prime minister within three months, cut his presidential staff and name a new deputy prime minister acceptable to parliament.

Mr Yeltsin outlined his proposals to leaders of parlia-mentary factions yesterday and is expected to announce details at the closing session of the Congress of People's Deputies, probably today. Opponents had condemned him for combining the posts of president and prime minister, arguing that this contra-vened the constitutional separation of powers. A resolu-tion gave Mr Yelisin three months to change the structure of the government, but a subsequent declaration appeared to allow him to retain the prime minister's post un-

Mr Yeltsin may be gam-bling that the chief of the economic reform programme. Yegor Gaidar, the first deputy prime minister, will be strong enough by then to occupy the post in his own right. During the congress, Mr Gaidar has been a tireless defender of the controversial reforms and an opinion poll, in Moscow after the government had threatened to resign unless its reforms were continued, found that Mr Gaidar's popularity rating had risen ten points from 35 to 45 per cent since the start

til December.

of the congress. The promised cuts in the president's staff come in answer to criticism that the powject to parliamentary control.

Those who had hoped to extend yesterday's congress discussion to include claims to the whole Black Sea fleet

and the Crimea were disap-pointed. The chairman said it would not be wise to raise passions now, two days before talks are due to begin in

In Kiev, President Krav-

chuk gave his bluntest warning yet to activists campaign-ing for an independence referendum in the Crimea, warning of "catastrophe" if the peninsula secedes from Ukraine. He called for Crimeans to ignore the powerful separatist movement. "The referendum will be a tragic way to split the Crimea. What this will lead to and what harm it can do no one can

predict," he said.

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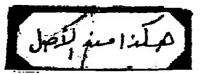
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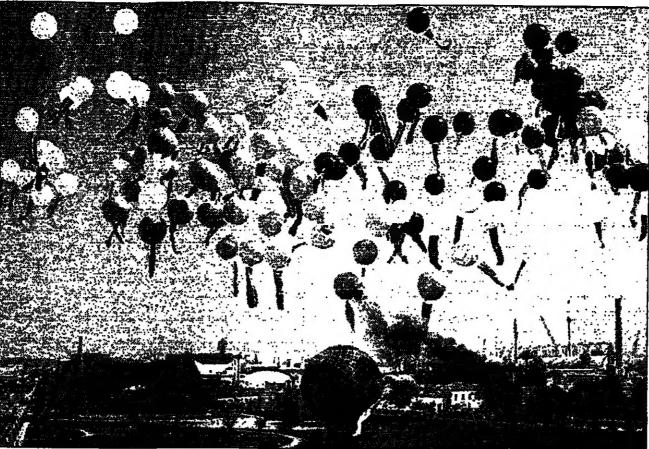
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Pictures at an exposition: King Juan Carlos and Queen Solia of Spain inaugurated Expo '92, where balloons representing participant states were released. A demonstrator protesting over police action was arrested

# Expo opening gives Spain reason to celebrate growth

FROM ROBERT HART IN SEVILLE

TO THE thunder of fireworks and the chiming of church bells across Seville, the Expo '92 world fair was formally opened yesterday by King Juan Carlos of Spain. Balloons with the flags of the 110 participating countries rose into the sky and 5,000 pigeons were released.

"The universal exposition of Seville is the greatest exposition in history, not only in terms of size ... but also in terms of the diversity and quality of activities," King Juan Carlos said.

Expo '92 is the first spectacular of Spain's 1992 celebrations to mark the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus's discovery of the New World. The Olympic Games in Barcelona in July and August will be the other big international event.

The opening ceremony took place in sunshine on newly-laid lawns outside a

restored 15th century monastery on the edge of the site on Seville's Cartuja island. Against a backdrop of funtristic canopies, domes and spires of pavilions built of steel, glass, bronze and wood, the king greeted Felipe González, the prime minister, and his cabinet before reviewing a troop of the royal guard.

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Some 10,000 police and 3,000 private security men were on duty in and around Seville and on the Expo site. Basque separatists have threatened to target Expo, but their attacks this year have been concentrated in Barcelona and Madrid.

Opponents of Spain's Columbus commemorations, who see 1492 as the start of centuries of colonialist repression, grappled with police at one of the gates to the site during the ceremony. On Sunday night at least three people were injured in central Seville when, according to witnesses, police fired live bullets at a crowd of about 100

The exhibition, expected to receive some 18 million visitors during its six-month run, is seen by Spain as a chance to show itself the equal of its European partners in technological, organisational and imaginative verve. "This exposition, which we bid for in 1982 and won in 1983, has witnessed the development and consolidation of Spanish democracy," Señor González said. "It has been witness to our economic advance, the modernisation of Spain, the increase in prosperity of our people, our integration into the European Community and our total involvement in

When Expo closes on October 12, several multinational companies will stay to set up a technology park. (Reuter)

all international forums."

### Winnie Mandela fighting back

Winnie Mandela is fighting to rescue her political career as an activist. She is still "Mother of the Nation" to thousands of township youths radicalised by state repression. The estranged wife of the ANC leader, Nelson Mandela, faces the next formal test of her popularity on May 3, when her region of the African National Congress Women's League elects office holders.

Hungary's first representative at the Miss Universe contest, being held this yearin Bangkok, has said she does not want to win. Dora Patko, aged 19, said a year as Miss Universe would take her away from her studies to be a

Yassir Arafat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, has been in

Morocco to discuss Libya's conflict with the West and Middle East peace talks with King Hassan.

Salevaa Atisanoe, known in Japan as Konishiki. a 557lb Samoan-American seeking to become Japan's first foreign grand champion sumo wrestier, blames racial discrimination for his failure.



Atisanoe: blames discrimination

# US mulls break with Belgrade

THE United States is considering breaking off diplomatic relations with Yugoslavia to underline its opposition to Serbian aggression against the breakaway republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina, a state department official said

The official said much would depend on talks in Belgrade this week between Ralph Johnson, the American deputy assistant secretary of state, and Slobodan Milosevic, the Serb leader. Mr Johnson had to decide whether it was worth preserving any dialogue with Belgrade, he

The American embassy in Belgrade is still accredited to Yugoslavia even though it is now reduced to two of its former six constituent republics — Serbia and Montenegro. The diplomat said that if Washington broke its links with Belgrade, it would not be able to transfer recognition to Serbia because of Belgrade's aggression and its record on

As the Americans argue with the Serbs, Greece disputes the claims of Macedonia, Chris Eliou writes

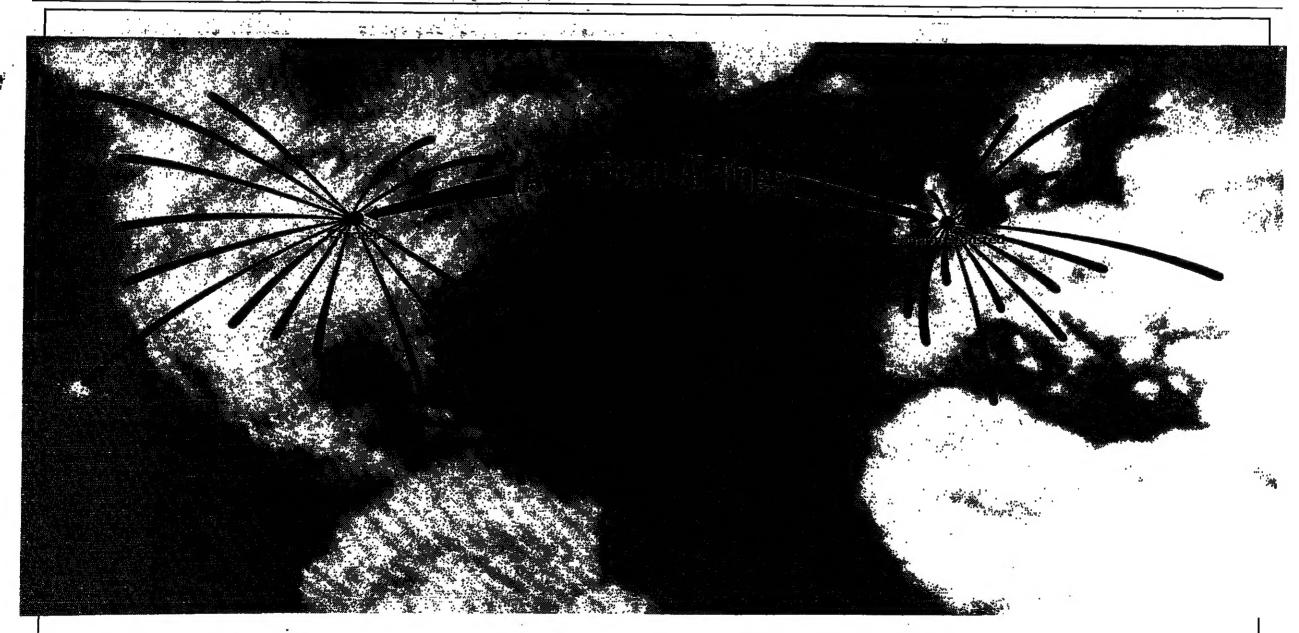
human rights. If Washington breaks off ties, it could put Belgrade's membership of international organisations in jeopardy. Yugoslav treasury officials flew to the United States yesterday to try to head off any attempts to exclude them from the International Monetary Fund.

Meanwhile, the Greek government stepped up its efforts to avert recognition by the European Community of the Yugoslav republic of Macedonia. Failure to find a face-saving formula could lead to the collapse of the government of Constantine Mitsotakis midway through its four-year term.

Mr Mitsotakis has had emergency consultations in Athens with Gianni De Michelis and Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the Italian and German foreign ministers. Yesterday he met Joao de Deus Pinheiro, their Portuguese counterpart, and meets Douglas Hurd, the British foreign secretary, in Athens on Thursday.

Athens has blocked Community recognition on the ground that the use of the name implies territorial claims on its northern province of the same name, and is seeking to hold the EC to a three-point agreement reached by foreign ministers last December. The agreement requires Skopje, the capital of the Yugoslav republic, to adopt constitutional and political guarantees that it has no territorial claims and to avoid use of a name that would imply such claims.

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#### The Chancellor will be a fine guardian of the public purse

part from Mr Major, the government's great success story is Norman Lamont. Yet almost from the moment he became Chancellor in November 1990, he has been reviled, often venomously, by powerful press voices, which should have known better. Foremost in the pack has been The Sunday Times, with this paper sometimes close behind. The Sunday Times front-page banner headline on April 5 asserted "Britain set for hung parliament, with Labour the largest party". Its leader on March 15 was headed "Opportunity lost", and the Budget was branded

"a damp squib". That accorded with the leader column of August 4, 1991: "It must now be dawning on John Major that he needs a new Chancellor... In the run-up to an election he will be savaged by the formidable Labour economic team of John Smith and Gordon Brown." Even on April 12, after the Tories had won, The Sunday Times' banner headline was "Lamont survives in reshuffle".

Save in the minds of Lamont-baiters, there was never a doubt that he would remain the pilot steering us to the sunnier, calmer waters of recovery, now cheerfully in sight after the storms of the recession, for which he was in no way responsible. Crabbed critics must reconsider their hostile judgments or lose more face for being unbalanced and ridiculous - like the good, over-clever Sir Alan Wal-— like the good, over-dever Sir Alan Watters, who has been busy contradicting himself in the Evening Standard while attacking Mr Lamont. He achieved a miracle of absurdity on April 13: all the Falklanders should be given hefty bribes to leave their homes, he said, to allow Argentina vacant possession. You might think even an unworldly economist would know about the prospects of huge oil reserves in Falkland waters and the wealth which will eventually pour out of Britain's share of Antarctica.

orman Lamont inherited infla-tion at nearly 11 per cent, and re-duced it to 4 per cent; he has cut interest rates by 3.5 per cent to the present 10.5 per cent, comparable with Germany's for the first time in a decade. Not bad for a Chancellor portrayed by the carpers as hopeless. His cautious but brilliant Budget skilfully skewered Lab-our, with its judicious tax cuts for all and the credible promise of more to come. He destroyed John Smith's bogus budget by persistently demanding a figure for Labour's spending plans. Unable to answer, John Smith's façade of sound respecta-

Nor could Labour brush away Mr Lamont's careful analysis showing that the extra taxation required would come to an annual £1,250 per average family. Torpedoing the battleship Smith, showing it was clad with plywood, clinched the election. Some Tories queried Mr Lamont's wisdom in repeatedly high-lighting taxation, probably because they pollsters, who idiotically told us that a | nature of the bank where Congeneral willingness to pay higher taxes was a bonus for Labour.

Mr Lamont is a brave, canny Scot, who resolutely keeps his head while other prominent Scots lose theirs. Occasionally he seemed to some hesitant and dishevelled on TV, prompting suggestions that he could do with a good make-up artist. That he will now be a profligate spender is another fashionable, silly superficiality. His chief secretary at the Treasury, Michael Portillo, is an ardent anti-spending hardliner, like the Chancellor and the social security secretary, Peter Lilley. Others in key spending posts, at education, transport and employment, are of the same mind. Mrs Thatcher herself could not ask for stronger guardians of the public purse.

#### Teacher appraisal must reward the conscientious not the fashionable ideologues, says Janet Daley

ne of my bitterest memories of the state school system as a parent concerns the way promotions almost invariably went to the worst teachers. What I mean by "worst", is what any commonsense view of schooling would regard as worst: from teachers who could not spell to those with a mystical commitment to avoiding any transmission of knowledge for fear that it would limit the

imaginations of the ignorant. The very teachers who reduced me to fury with their simpleminded ideological certainties or their plain inadequacy would move onwards and upwards, often to headships in other schools. Those most likely to climb in the profession have not been the gifted classroom teachers whose achievements remain a matter of quiet satisfaction to themselves and their pupils, but the politically devious careerists who know how to spout the fashionable line to an interview panel.

That parents, and the nation at large, have no redress against this

# Can they pass the exam?

is now unacceptable to all political parties. Jack Straw, from the safe confines of the opposition benches, has promised that Labour will be at least as determined to root out bad teaching as the Tories. Indeed, one consolation for Labour in defeat is that it will not have to cope in office with the embarrassment of the National Union of Teachers' conference. Had Labour won on the basis that it could deliver better education, this week's insistence by teachers that they be accountable to no one but themselves would have propelled the party straight into a stark test of principle.

The NUT's rejection, by an

overwhelming majority, of gov-ernment plans for a system of teacher appraisal with real teath places its members firmly in the trade union tradition so harmful to Labour. By setting their faces

against the only kind of profes-sional evaluation which can improve education standards one which penalises bad teachers and rewards good ones - the teachers are choosing to defend an infamous kind of producerdominated public service.

Undaunted by public opinion, parental outrage or pressure from their political friends. many will go to the barricades for an education system run by and for the educators: a closed system which not only protects itself from criticism by outsiders, but makes its least effective members immune to comparison with their betters.

But surely, many good teachers should be fighting against this stand? To shield the inept, the lazy, and the slipshod cannot be in the interests of the profession as a whole. Conscientious, able teachers must deeply resent the poor teaching to the public es-teem of their vocation and to the reputation of the state school system. They must be ashamed as other teachers.) For a generation, the autocratic well of the unreconstructed hostility that the NUT officially ex-

made to improve their performance or be weeded out. So how is it that a policy can be adopted which must be contrary the interests of many teachers who have everything to gain and nothing to lose from being properly assessed? Why is there not a great groundswell of support from the profession for a system which would bring just rewards to the many good teachers languishing thanklessly in the backwaters of the system? One reason is to do with the tyranny of political correctness within the teaching

presses to the very idea that bad

reachers should be identified and

community. (And "community" is, unusually, the apposite word here: teachers very largely socialise with, and often marty,

titudes of the education theorists has been adamantly opposed to the notion of critical assessment itself. At least some of the resistance to having themselves assessed is part of the teaching profession's antagonism to the idea of judgmental examinations for anyone. Even sensible teachers have been brain-washed (or bullied) into treating any kind of comparative examination as morally wrong, whether it concerns pupils or themselves. Hence the NUT voted to accept only assessment which carries no penalties and does not distinguish between better and worse performers: an exercise which would amount to

nothing more than counselling in the interests of an individual's "professional development", with no consequences for his pay or career prospects.

There is another reason why a profession can come to be dominated by voices so alien to its best interests. Like many of the old producer-dominated industries. education is a monolith in which pay and conditions are negotiated nationally by huge bodies, which dwarf local or individual concerns. A heavily unionised public service can quite easily be manipulated by small groups of well-organised tacticians. The only solution to this, as the government has recognised, is pluralism: breaking the hold of huge unions which attract professional agitators. Schools which control their own funds and which have the power to determine their own independent philosophies will not be caught up in a national game of power politics. Instead they can concern themselves with the real needs of pupils and the real strengths of teachers.

had earned it by hard work — yet not much minding inherited wealth. If you take the philoso-phers obsession with justice seri-

ously, you would expect people to

approve of the results of hard work and application, and disap-prove of arbitrary good fortune. But the reverse makes good sense

too. It is simply good luck to be born the son of the Duke of

Westminster — it might have happened to any of us — so why complain? Our employers, on the

other hand, may be hard-driving figures we have every reason to distrust, so why not begrudge

them their rewards?
In the case of bad luck, there is

a different outlook at work. Old age, injury or prolonged illness bring undeserved misfortune with them, and here it seems to

me there is a general sense that the arbitrary inequality they cause is something society ought collectively to alleviate.

ven here, what is at work is is not the abstract enthusiasm for equality that philosophers are so

fond of; the sentiment varies, but often it is a feeling of human solidarity: we all face the hazards that flesh is heir to, and human

societies should provide a common protection against them. Some such thought may account

for the affection in which the British hold the National Health

Service, even when they agree that it is less than perfect. At the

least society is seen as an insurance company, but one that cannot throw out the bad risks.

If that is right, it squares with what opinion polls suggest: that Labour is attractive as the defend-

er of the NHS and other features

of the social insurance system, but not as the bearer of a positive

vision of egalitarian social justice.

Egalitarians have always been dearer about the inequalities they

are against than about the equali-

men to become doctors, lawyers,

# Good luck to life's winners

Alan Ryan asks if equality is an obsolete idea Labour should drop

or the fourth time in 13 years, the British left — hard, soft, or ever so mildly reformist — is picking itself up and wondering whether anything in its repertoire has a chance with the voters. In particular, it has to decide whether equality is now such a dirty word that it had better be scrubbed from the Labour dictionary entirely. What makes the task so baffling are the contradictory signs coming from the

There is no taste for restributive taxation in any of the advanced industrial countries, and in all of them there is great taxpayer reluctance to pay for programmes aimed at the poor, single mothers, or the chronically unemployable. Yet in much of the world -France, Germany, Italy and the United States, if not to the same extent in Britain — there is a populist backlash which suggests an egalitarian protest against privilege and arrogance.

In America, for instance, no gressmen have been bouncing their cheques can defuse the voters' fury. Voters who begin by thinking that their representa-tives have been messing about with the taxpayers' money are not appeased when they discover that the congressional "bank" was no more than a system for making advances out of the pooled payrolls of all the members. They simply channel their anger to the rules which allow politicians to set up such systems while the

And yet none of this sustains a more general egalitarianism of the sort that the left could hope to capitalise upon. Currently the

presidential candidate with the most appeal to the disgruntled is a Texas billionaire, H. Ross Perot, whose autocratic style as an employer would threaten civil war if it were ever to be translated to the White House. No doubt a few sophisticated souls would argue that we should vote for a billionaire because he has less incentive are because he has less incentive to rob the taxpayer, but the blind hatred of the privileges of politi-cians seems to be just that blind. But public attitudes towards privilege, wealth and power sug-gest something more complicated than mere blind rage. Certainly, there is nowhere any enthusiant.

there is nowhere any enthusiasm for equality as such. Nobody begrudges the best tennis players earnings of five or ten million dollars a year, though they flinch a bit when mediocre baseball players pick up a million bucks. Part of this is no doubt the result of ignorance: few Americans knew until recently that the heads of Japanese car firms were paid about a tenth of what their American counterparts are paid, but a groundswell of indignation at the ludicrous salaries of chief executives is growing now that they do know.

It is impossible to explain this acceptance of vast inequalities of income as the result of a well-founded belief in the need for incentives, or an enthusiasm for the competitive economy. However, one thing that makes the high earnings of the best tennis players acceptable is that they do compete for their prizes; immed-lately behind every number one are half a dozen candidates hungry for the top spot. It is some time since competition for work on the General Motors board has resembled life on the Grand Slam circuit, and I have yet to meet



Top tennis players like Stefan Edberg earn huge prize money, but the public do not object

anyone who thinks that the \$86 million that Robert C. Gozueta took home from Coca-Cola last year is the minimum it takes to put some fizz into managers.

The acceptance of inequality is not the result of ignorance about its scope. Mostly, it stems from a view about the acceptability of good and bad forume which makes perfectly good sense, even though it is not a view that intellectuals have gone in for, from Aristotle to T.H. Green and

John Rawls, they have thought we should replace chance with jus-tice. I am not sure that this resonates with the man in the street. People rightly have a very different attitude towards the chance of doing well and the chance of having something hor-rible happen to them - although they do not think very accurately about the odds in either direction, always misjudge their chance of

winning the lottery, and are still more frightened of aeroplanes

than of motor cars. Once people's

views about good and bad luck are understood, it is easier to see why most people support the welfare state but do not subscribe to egalitarianism. Skills like those of tennis players are widely thought to be a gift from the gods, like drawing a winning ticket in a lottery, so why should we begrudge the winners their money? Surveys used to find British workers objecting to the wealth of their employers — who

ties they are for, and they have killed off a good many of them. Nobody now objects to equality before the law, or thinks women should have fewer chances than

> The Labour party would get on better with the electorate if it stuck to the defence of the welfare state, and otherwise acknowledged that most of its supporters see the world as something of a lottery - one they do not want rigged against them, but which they do not wish to abolish

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altogether.



### ...and moreover Craig Brown

viewer has come onto the scene, uncorrupted by luxury or cosiness, refusing to succumb to the allure of good food and a comfortable bed. Of these, the undeniable doy-

enne is Carol Glumley. She describes her job as being "to see through all the pleasures with which hotel managements attempt to distract their customers". Her writing as a hotel critic has been acclaimed as "quite as powerful and penetrat-ing as the young George Orwell... to her, a hotel bedroom is as a bull was to Hemingway: a beast waiting to be slain

Today, we proudly reprint these fearless extracts from some of her recent reviews, detailing in her spare and haunting prose some of the more harrowing experiences she has undergone in luxury hotels the length of the land.

The Grand Palace Hotel, Cornwall. On arrival, I was greeted by a smiling doorman who asked if he could carry my bags. But I had seen this trick before. His smile left me in no doubt that he was hell-bent on a tip. But two can play that game, so I said no. thank you very much. I have a perfectly good pair of arms, and I proceeded to carry them up-stairs myself. That showed him! Needless to say, the acquisitive smile never left his face for a moment, even in the light of such a defeat. The nosiness of the rest of the staff knew no bounds. When did I like my breakfast? Which paper did I like to read in the morning? Was

there anything else? And they expect one to pay for such

The Hotel Grand Comfort, Mar-seilles. The coffee was of a very dark colour, and far too hot steam could be seen rising threateningly from the surface. The so-called staff had not even bothered to pre-butter the bread, and the marmalade was presented in an entirely sepa-rate dish. They obviously rely on the goodwill and hard labour of their long-suffering guests rather than getting off their backsides and doing the job for which they are being paid. The Gran Residenzia, Madrid.

Knowing that I was to spend the weekend in Madrid, I brushed up on my Portuguese. All to no avail. None of the staff seemed the slightest bit local, and few were able to speak more than a few words of Portuguese. Would it be asking too much of The Gran Residenzia to employ one or two natives of the country?

The Seaview Family Hotel, The Isle of Wight. Contrary to all my more optimistic expectations, the Seaview Family Hotel turns out to be choc-a-bloc with children galore. Furthermore, many of the bedrooms are, I discovered, occupied - whether secretly or not, I do not know - by the very same children. When I complained to the manager, he pointed out with an unctuous smile that the word "Family" was visible on the hotel's nameplate. I had been utterly misled, complained, into thinking that it was simply a hotel run by the Seaview family, and of course I did not hesitate to demand my money back. The Plaza Hotel, Fife. They cheerily advertise country cheerily advertise "country walks", but they don't bother to tell you that you can easily get your shoes muddy on even quite

a short walk. Personally, I re-turned with my shoes soaking after a walk across a nearby stream, and when the manager superciliously asked if I would like him to dry them. I couldn't refrain from replying "What is the point of asking me that now, when they are already wet?" That certainly silenced him! The Castle Hotel, Wales. Lunch

Next week: Carol Glumley reviews Heaven: My bedroom was cloudy, the harps intrusive, the

management far too anxious to

was a crippling disappointment. First, the staff had made an appalling mistake with my starter. I asked for the escargots and to my horror received haif a dozen shells, into each of which a slimy creature closely resembling a snail appeared to have crawled. My next course was fish, which tasted, I'm afraid, as if it had only recently been swimming, and the vegetables tasted as if they had been dug up from the ground rather than purchased over the counter in a decent shop. The wine was indifferent, dominated by a distinct grapey taste. Service was aggressively friendly; is it really necessary in this day and age to greet each guests as he or she the next day. enters? On the cadge for a tip, no doubt — but they didn't get one from me, I hasten to add.

#### Rise of the house of Usher

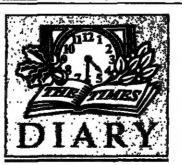
WHEN Mrs Thatcher, the dressmaker's daughter, discovered power-dressing, she looked to Marianne Abrahams of Aquascuturn to bring the style to her wardrobe. The current first lady of politics and former needlework teacher, Norma Major, has now found a new fashion guru for Downing Street: the British fash-ion house Frank Usher.

Just a week before the election campaign, Mrs Major, once renowned for making her own clothes, was to be seen in the fitting rooms of Anne and Max Bruh, the company's managing directors. Essential evening wear was her wish.

The firm's mass-produced outfits, selling for an average £200, are hardly of the ilk of a Norman Hartnell, Hardy Amies or even an Aquascutum for that matter. But unswayed by mere fashionable opinion, Mrs Major selected several gowns and shorter cocktail

The favoured Thatcherite blue was rejected in favour of a politi-cally dubious pink, which remains her favourite colour. This choice is also believed to have been the result of the unflattering press Mrs Major received when she wore a Jacques Vert outfit the night her husband became prime minister. What most upset the fashion world was her cardinal sin of wearing the same suit to Buckingham Palace

The Bruns who founded the company 45 years ago after fleeing the Nazis, are not alone in receiving Mrs Major's approval. She has always had a penchant for Patricia Saxby's Windsmoor designs, and was also spotted in a private room at the Jaeger store in Regent street before the polls.



Arbiters of style sniff at her choice of outlitters, and sneer at her fondness for a Teasmade by the bed and a Peacock rattan chair. But Mrs Major is in good company. The Princess Royal is also a regular at the Usher salon, and they both like pink. On her last visit, diplomatic staff had to ensure that Mrs Major did not pick the same outfit as the Princess who had been into the shop the

· As normal service is resumed in some parts of Whitehall today, at least one minister must be finding it difficult to drum up much enthusiasm. Sir Wyn Roberts, the Minister of State for Wales, has become the longest-serving minister in a single department for more than 100 years. He was appointed to the Welsh Office in Mrs Thatcher's first government. He is now one of only 10 survivors of Mrs Thatcher's first ministerial line-up. The others are Kenneth Clarke, Lynda Chalker. Douglas Hurd, Norman Lamont, John MacGregor, Patrick Mayhew, Tony Newton, Malcolm Rifkind and John Wakeham.

#### Minister's best friend

ANTI-TERRORIST police are often called upon to protect politicians and other possible targets,

to save the life of a cabinet minister's dog. So owners and their pets were thus somewhat bemused when three armed guards carried an ailing golden labrador into a veterinary surgery in Devizes recently - and strode to the head of

the queue. The dog, belonging to former Northern Ireland Secretary Peter Brooke, had suffered a heart at-tack and required the immediate attention of surgeon Ian Mac-queen, who performed his func-tions under the protective gaze of the police control

the police cordon.

Benji, as the hound is known, was said to be "very poorly" when he arrived, but Macqueen says the labrador has now made a full re-covery. "I'm afraid I cannot tell you much except that the dog was treated here," said the securityonscious vet.
Mr Brooke, who has now been

succeeded in office by Sir Patrick



Mayhew, still warrants round-the-clock protection. Benji, at least, will be happy to learn that this state of affairs is unlikely to change even if, as some are now suggesting, his master becomes Speaker of the House.

#### Unheard melodies

WHILE half a billion people worldwide watched the Freddie Mercury Tribute Concert for Aids Awareness last night, others were less lucky — or at least less well served. Viewers in the former Soviet Union, Turkey. Spain, Por-tugal, Japan, Finland and Aus-tralia who had hoped to watch some of the world's best-known rock stars were forced to accept everyday fare. Their television stations had refused to take any of the 21 live feeds offered by the

It is expected that all the countries will have the benefit of the extravaganza within the next ten days, subject to negotiations about the broadcasting fees, although the exercise is mainly about raising awareness of Aids.

The Moscow station, RTR — with a possible 100 million viewers - will pay only a nominal fee for the concert. The channel was simply unable to insert the programme into the daily schedule. Spain — on religious grounds one presumes — never broadcasts music on Monday nights.

 Labour's domination of the media over Easter prompts a question: were John Smith, Bryan Gould, John Prescott and other leadership contenders the only MPs on duty? It certainly seems so. Apan from John Major, who was at Chequers for the holiday. the entire cabinet seems to have disappeared from view. David Mellor is in Switzerland, Kenneth Clarke is at home with the family in Nottinghamshire, Peter Lilley has gone to his French chateau, Norman Lamont is on holiday until the weekend, Virginia Bottomley was in the Isle of Wight. Gillian Shephard, the other new cabinet minister, is however, due back at her desk today.

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### POWER AND PROTEST ~

After the Conservatives fourth general election victory in a row, not just the Labour party is despairing. Several groups that had seen salvation in a Labour government are now talking about extra-parliamentary action. Yesterday the Scottish TUC president. Jane McKay, hinted that civil disobedience should be planned in Edinburgh to coincide with the EC summit. Other Scots want to organise a referendum on self-government. And teachers at the Easter NUT conference only narrowly voted down a boycott of the government's plans for teacher appraisal.

Some groups traditionally feel uncomfortable with a Conservative government: trade unions, the unemployed, sociologists, council tenants, Scots, the Welsh. Others have been newly alienated over the past 13 years, partly because Margaret Thatcher delighted in taking on entrenched interests, but also because any reforming government that lasts for that long is bound to make new enemies. To the old list can be added some doctors, nurses, teachers, farmers, academics, local authori-

ties, civil servants and most of the arts world. British politics used to be self-regulating. If an interest group lost out under one party, it could reasonably expect the other party to win power before too long and redress the grievance. But by the next election, these "losers" could have been at the wrong end of government policy for 18 years, with no

certainty even then of a change.

Political parties have tended to believe that, even with an electoral system that gives them majorities in the Commons with a minority of the vote, they have a mandate to enact their manifesto commitments once in power. That is a fair argument when government regularly changes hands. But when one party holds power for a generation, it should perhaps become more sensitive to those who are not its natural supporters.

The Scots and Welsh have the strongest case. Not since 1955 have the Scots voted predominantly Conservative, and the Weish have never done so this century. Yet for 26 of the 37 years since 1985, they have been ruled from Whitehall by Tories. The usual argu-

ment in a democracy against dissenters taking power into their own hands is that, if they want change, they must vote for it. In this year's election, .74 per cent of Scots and 71 per cent of the Welsh voted for parties that promised either devolution or independence. Yet self-government is still denied them. No wonder they are frustrated.

Local authorities too are understandably angry about the seizure of their power by the centre. Their democratic credentials are no less legitimate than those of central government, yet their autonomy has been whittled away by one law after another.

Other interest groups, such as teachers or farmers, have less of a case. When teachers claim that career appraisal should not penalise poor performers, they are arguing against the interests of the pupils they are supposed to serve. When farmers complain about the dismantling of an agricultural policy that has subsidised them for decades at the expense of everybody who buys food,

they too are arguing selfishly.

The government need not give in to such special pleading. But if John Major wants a classless society and a country at ease with itself, he must acknowledge that the grievances of some of the groups that have been left in the cold by a Conservative government are legitimate. With a fourth parliamentary

term come extra responsibilities.

Mr Major is clearly beginning to realise this. In the last Budget, he gave disproportionate help to those on low incomes. He has appointed conciliators to see through the education and health reforms. But he still has to rethink the distribution of power within Britain.

The longer the Conservatives remain in government, the more the country needs pluralism at other levels. In his reform of local government, Mr Major should be generous in handing powers back to local people. And he can no longer completely ignore the strength of the Welsh and Scottish calls for self-government. Democracy can still thrive when one party rules, but only if it is a party for all the nation.

# RESCUING GATT 10-21-92

The world has never had more riding on a rapid resumption of strong economic growth. Without it, Eastern Europe and the states of the former Soviet Union have scant hope of extricating themselves from the mess bequeathed them by communism; nor will the countries in Latin America and Africa which have embarked on equally ambitious economic reforms find the markets they need for export-led recovery. Stability in Europe, key to President Bush's new world order and Jacques Delors' ambitions for enlarging the European Community, depends on a robust expansion in output and trade.

The Americans, worried that the US economy could sup back into the recession from which it is emerging, will appeal to the Group of Seven finance ministers in Washington on Thursday to join in a co-ordinated strategy to boost growth this year beyond the inadequate 1.5 per cent predicted by the International Monetary Fund. But they will be wasting their breath unless the US and the EC first succeed, tomorrow at the White House, in breaking their deadlock over farm subsidies. This trivial and unnecessary dispute - trivial because agriculture is the key to prosperity for neither side, unnecessary because so little now divides them is wrecking the prospects for concluding the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) Uruguay Round of global trade negotiations and with it, the world's best

hope of an export-led boom. Tomorrow's meeting brings together Mr Bush, M Delors and Anibal Cavaco Silva. the prime minister of Portugal, currently president of the EC. These three have the power to succeed where their technicians have been failing for more than five years. The Americans, who have already given much ground, may offer further assurances to the EC on one of the points at issue, the EC's insistence that it must be free to pay its farmers direct income support as part of its plans to reform the common agricultural policy. But there will be no deal unless M Delors decides to put Europe's well-being above whatever ambitions he nurtures for his future career in French politics, and overrides the objections of Paris to the very

principle of freeing agricultural trade.

A week ago, M Delors told Mr Bush that the two sides were "very close" to agreement. Days later, his spokesman was saying that nothing indicated that an accord could be reached in Washington. There could be no clearer indication that the obstacle is political, not technical, M Delors seems no more courageous than the German Chancellor, Helmut Kohl, when it comes to facing down the French. Here CAP reform and Gatt merge. M. Delors knows better than anyone that the EC must rid itself of the corruption and economic lunacy of its farm policy for the sake of its consumers, its unemployed and its competitiveness on world markets. He should be seizing on the Gatt negotiations as an opportunity to hasten CAP reform, particularly since the Gatt proposals are broadly compatible with

that objective. A saner agricultural policy would be a gain in itself. But the stakes in the Uruguay Round are vastly greater. The EC, which accounts for 40 per cent of world trade, cannot afford to put at risk the liberal postwar trading system. Delay in concluding the round is already affecting business confidence, as 120 of the world's leading corporations gave warning last week. The surge of protectionism that would accompany its collapse could cost the EC £80 billion a year in higher consumer prices, to say nothing of lost jobs in export industries. And the EC should not fool itself that there can be a deal without a firm commitment on farm trade: it is the loadstone of European good faith for too many of the 108 countries involved.

This negotiation is the responsibility of the European Commission, not its 12 member states. It is a test, so far miserably failed, of collective EC foreign policy. The whole sixyear negotiation is starting to unravel, and Mr Bush is running out of the negotiating time granted him by Congress. M Delors has grand dreams for the EC. This week will show whether he has the statesmanship to end the dispute that puts all of them in

#### AID FOR AIDS

Live Aid, the 1985 rock concert to help victims of famine in Africa, astonished the world with its energy, idealism and commitment to the cause of the starving in faraway lands. The performance of the night was by Queen, whose star, Freddie Mercury, put on a show of such sturning intensity that the band's album shot back to the top of the charts. How apt and poignant therefore that last night's Wembley spectacular should be in memory of the man whose death in November has done more than any number of pious government campaigns to bring home to young people the tragedy of Aids.

The canonisation of Mercury may be mawkish, the accolades overdone. As a singer and flamboyant stage presence he was unsurpassed, but as a role model he gave scant encouragement to Aids activists, refusing until only a day before his death to acknowledge publicly that he had Aids. Yet Queen was right to come together again to eulogise his memory. Channelling the grief of millions of fans, the band has personalised a cause that, like starvation, apartheid or the Kurds, would otherwise have left most

indifferent. Aids may be modish in Hollywood but it is still so taboo that most pop singers have shunned Aids charities. That changed yesterday. The parade of personalities on stage was like a rock Who's Who. Even Mrs Larry Fortensky, better known as Elizabeth

Taylor, was there to add glitz and the moral authority of her Aids campaigning.

Wembley charity spectaculars are becoming an annual fixture in the rock world. Everyone benefits. The stars can afford to play for free because the publicity is more than money can buy and the glow of having contributed to a good cause disarms many a barbed criticism of an often exploitative and amoral lifestyle. Charities see a way of getting their message across to millions, swaying public opinion and raising substantial sums from television and video rights. Fans can indulge for three hours in some of the best in rock, which can now be broadcast to a billion people simultaneously.

Britain has discovered a talent for these global spectaculars. As with the London marathon, British organisers are experienced, know the market and can turn a burst of enthusiasm into a properly costed operation. English is overwhelmingly the language of pop, and British groups are still among the world's best. Britain is in the right time-zone to broadcast both east and west.

The Wembley charity rock concerts mix the untapped idealism of thousands of ordinary people with their determination to have a good time. They play publicity for the huge sums it is worth. And in a cynical world, the global message performs an almost evangelising function in raisir.g awareness of other people's suffering.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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#### Election perspective as dust settles From Mr P. H. Twyman

Sir, Your leader of April 15, "As the dust settles", touches upon an aspect of the general election campaign which has been missed by the pollsters and the pundits.

The Conservative party campaign from the centre may have seemed a shambles, as you say; but down at the "grass roots", in most individual constituencies, the local party machinery operated by voluntary workers worked extremely effectively.

As a party activist with connections throughout the country, I can say that the voluntary effort was much better organised than the general election of 1987 or the European elections of 1989. Volunteers were better trained. Mutual aid, whereby strong constituencies helped in the marginals, was much better coordinated.

The result was that any waverers amongst known Conservative supporters were persuaded to vote for the party by a succession of "knockers up" calling on them throughout the day. One cannot help thinking that this effort, as much as glitzy advertising or "spin-doctoring", led to the Conservative successes in marginal constituencies.

Yours etc. P. H. TWYMAN. Thrift House, 129 Minnis Road, Birchington, Kent. April 15.

From Dr Stephen Howe

Sir, Dr Brian Harrison (letter, April .15) is rightly respected as one of the finest historians of modern Britain. It is saddening, therefore, that at a time when constitutional traditionalism and the reforming impulse are increasingly sharply counterposed, he should be found defending the last ditch of tradition.

His proposal for an anti-Conser-varive pact in order to preserve our present electoral and constitutional arrangements is simply perverse. Such a pact would have no principled basis. It would be seen by the electorate, and doubtless rejected, for what it would be: a cynical and desperate ploy by politicians united only in their anti-Toryism.

The only viable ground for a Labour/Lib Dem/Nationalist alliance is quite the reverse: united on an agreed programme of electoral and constitutional reform and making the next election, in effect, a referen-

dum on such proposals.

Dr Harrison's contention that the constitutional status quo "maximises the political impact of the voter" is simply untrue. At best, it maximises and distorts the impact of a small number of floating voters in a handful of marginal seats. And to say liamentary and national traditions"

Dr Harrison does not mention Scotland. Possibly the climate of opinion there is so wildly at odds with

From Mr R. Baia Superamaniam

Sir, Mr Robert Adley, MP, refers in his letter (April 18) to an angry Mr

Kinnock calling him a jerk in the

House and the electorate then coolly

passing judgment on Mr Kinnock at

In the same vein, is it correct to

assume that the Bath electorate

passed the same judgment on Mr

Chris Patten, the Tory chairman,

who spearheaded his party's cam-

paign with vicious personal attacks

Neil-jerk reaction?

the general election.

his nostalgic view of constitutional consensus that he cannot bear to look at it too closely. And perhaps he might ask himself why not only the Scottish Constitutional Convention, but also all Europe's most successful economies and every democratic reform movement in the world, from eastern Europe to southern Africa, have opted for proportional electoral systems, written constitutions and entrenched bills of rights.

Yours sincerely, STEPHEN HOWE, Ruskin College, Walton Street, Oxford. April 15.

From Mr Martin Reweastle Sir, Your third leader ("Fun and games". April 13) questions the need for a secretary of state for national heritage and assumes that the job does not hold together.

At last what are often called the cultural industries are to be viewed as a whole. Lack of such an overview has clouded UK policy and led to innumerable bodies with self-interests but without real evidence of productivity. Moreover, the post brings together the subsidy industry. Mr Mellor is in an ideal position to

review the tired idea of revenue subvention, which helped to reestablish postwar Britain but does not serve us well now, especially when capital is sorely needed.

From subsidies variously applied by various departments, Mr Mellor might be able to establish a national investment policy, embracing broadcasting, the arts, national treasures and pastimes. This assumes a tough and intelligent discussion of public cultural investment. There will be angst in London's patronage com-mittees. A ministry for fun? Hardly

If proper cultural investment does replace patronage, there will be, as you state, no need for a secretary of state to intercede directly, so long as actual decisions are taken by and decentralised to regional or local partnerships.

Mr Mellor has a real opportunity. It will be interesting to see if he takes it.

Yours sincerely, MARTIN REWCASTLE, 30 Little Knowle. Budleigh Salterton, Devon.

From Dr R. van den Brink-Budgen Sir, We are told that the Conservative party won the election because its message on tax "got through". Is the whole democratic process, in which we take such fierce pride, in whose defence we have fought long and bloody wars, in which we place such trust and hope for good government, nothing more, then, than a crude our reluctance to open our wallets? Yours faithfully.

ROY van den BRINK-BUDGEN. 27a Warrington Road, Ipswich, Suffolk.

on Mr Kinnock, ably assisted by the

Tory tabloids? Yours faithfully, R. BALA SUPERAMANIAM. 30 Lichfield Gardens, Richmond, Surrey.

From Mr E. F. Smith Sir, The letter from Mr Robert Adley suggests that Mr Kinnock was wide of the mark when he called him a ierk. Mr Kinnock was too kind. Yours truly.

ERNEST SMITH, Red House, 90 Drift Road, Clanfield, Hampshire.

#### Bosnia on the brink From Mr Martin Platz

Sir, In your leader of April 10, "Bosnia on the brink," you claim that "neither Serbia nor Croatia have dropped their earlier designs on the territories inhabited by their ethnic kinsmen". The fact is that Croatia has officially recognised Bosnia as an independent state

within its present borders. What you define as territorial designs of the Croatian government. someone more benevolent might interpret as the legitimate interest in the well being of Croats in Bosnia-Herzegovina, in case it is forced into some rump Yugoslavia against the will of the majority of its citizens.

After all, it has not been long since we went into a war in order to protect the interests of much fewer British citizens in the Falklands than there are Croats in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

l find infuriaring the tendency towards "balance" in the press, the insistence on apportioning equal blame for the war on the Croats and Serbs. This is a refusal to differentiate between the victim and the aggressor; it was untrue in the war in Slovenia, and is now so in Croatia and Bosnia.

To say that the Yugoslav army shows no desire to intervene in the fighting or take on the Croats and Muslims" is disgraceful. If the Serbdominated Yugo-army is so reluctant to undertake any action against Bosnia's two ethnic communities, as you claim, whose planes then bombed the Croars of Siroki Brijeg and whose tanks attacked the Muslims of Zvornik?

Yours sincerely, M. PLATZ. 130 Elm Road, New Malden, Surrey. April 20.

#### Caught in the EC maw From Mr Lucian Comoy

Sir, There has been much made recently of the political advantages and problems of being "European". but very little about how things are at

grass-roots level for an EC citizen moving abroad. When I moved to France my papers took one week over several lunch hours. I have now lived in Italy for two years and have not succeeded in converting the multitude of papers both countries An example: my GB driving li-

cence is exactly the same as the Italian one (EC model), yet I cannot instantly convert it as I did in France. must take two days off work and collect two medical certificates from different public bodies, one residence certificate and four photographs, one of them certified.

Furthermore, I must translate the licence and take it before a tribunal to swear I did it accurately (no actual translation necessary: I shall copy an

Italian one which is identical). The next step is to procure a certificate declaring I have never been to jail. Then I go to another office which takes all of this, my tax number, passport details and the equivalent of E90 and makes me wait six months. during which time I have no right to drive as I have no licence.

What can be the point of the Brussels mandarins waving their wands if countries such as Italy are allowed to maintain this obstructiveness in the face of straightforward requests from EC citizens?

Brussels would gain more credibility in its avowed federalist aims if it did something to force some change on these byzantine bureaucracies which remain accountable to no one. least of all the poor individuals caught in their maw. Yours faithfully,

LUCIAN COMOY. via Montesion 27. 15020 Fr. Castelsanpietro AL, Italy.

#### Extended rights of audience in court some weight and particularity has to be made out and the solicitor

afforded an opportunity to respond.

The progress of an employed solic-

itor's career can also be impeded by

an unfavourable management per-

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Doing one's best for the client

sometimes involves giving unpalat-able and robust advice, which is best

given at arm's length. An indepen-

dent solicitor may thereby lose one

client. An employed solicitor may lose his job; but more likely, and more perniciously, he may unwittingly damage his career prospects

with that employer.
As one who was formerly employed

as a solicitor in local government and

is now in private practice, I have an

appreciation of what are very real problems. They may be capable of being resolved; but, first, they must be recognised as being of some

substance and not simply dismissed

as being "hollow".

GREGORY HINE.

Eastleigh, Hampshire.

Michael Hayes, Hine & Co.

From Mr Stephen Hall-Jones

Sir, If we at the Bar are to survive as a

separate profession, we shall have to

tailor our "products" to meet the

changing circumstances by develop-

ing new sciences, widening the range of our existing services and increas-ing the depth of our specialisations.

Litigation support and trial management is one possible area of

expansion; the ad hoc supply of advisory services on a transactional basis is another. Even in criminal

practice there will still be a need for

specialist, freelance consultant ad-

vocates in fields such as business

crime and other offences requiring

more technical and forensic skills

than the average generalist advocate can bring to the table.

Generalist work, whether in the

advisory or advocacy fields, will

inevitably be conducted by solicitors

and solicitor-advocates. Provided.

however, that barristers are willing to

turn to work which does not always

involve in-court advocacy but de-

mands a broader mix of specialist

advisory, advocacy and other con-sultancy services in contentious mat-

ters, there will continue to be a

demand for such services and a

justification for an independent Bar.

Yours faithfully,

58 Leigh Road,

(Solicitors),

daily professional conduct?

From Mr Clive R. Kelly

Sir, I am a solicitor, admitted in 1957, employed in commerce and industry, with no strong desire to biossom into active advocacy although with some modest experience. Professionally, I am able to be employed and to engage in private

The Griffiths committee, I assume. would accept my appearing in a higher court for a private client, but not for my employer. What an insult to my employer's choice of pro-fessional representation. What an impertinence to my professional integrity. No wonder that lawyers in jurisdictions with enjoyment of dual rights of audience view us with varying airs of disbelief!

The reasoning in your leader, "An unjustified bar" (April 15) is correct. To conclude otherwise would indeed confirm Dickens's view that, if so, "the Law is a Ass!"

Yours faithfully, C. R. KELLY, 22 Aylestone Avenue, NW6. Aprill 17.

From Mr Paul Thomas and Mr Robert M. Downey

Sir, Whilst we fully support the view expressed by the Lord Chancellor's advisory committee that advocates need to show the necessary objectivtry and expertise, solicitors in local government and in commerce and industry frequently demonstrate these qualities by their appearance in courts and tribunals throughout England and Wales.

The suggestion that they lack them, and that they should therefore be deprived of rights of audience in the higher courts, is extraordinary and must be strongly refuted. All solicitors have to respect the Law Society's professional code of conduct and are paid to do their best for

Yours sincerely PAUL THOMAS (Chairman, Local Government Group), R. M. DOWNEY (Chairman. Commerce and Industry Group), The Law Society, 113 Chancery Lane, WC2. April 17.

From Mr M. G. J. Hine

Sir, You decry as a "hollow point" the view of the Griffiths committee that employed solicitors, by virtue of their employment, could not show the requisite degree of impartiality and objectivity to exercise rights of advocacy in the higher courts. As a justification for this view, you refer to the sanction available to the Law Society (more accurately, I believe, the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal a branch of the High Court) to strike off a miscreunt solicitor.

Quite rightly, before a solicitor (whether employed or in private practice) is struck off, a complaint of

your obedient servant. STEPHEN HALL-JONES. 3 King's Bench Walk, Temple, EC4.

# Bridge over the Arno

Kirkwood Sir, John Phillips reports from Rome (April 14) that "during the second world war German troops blew up other bridges across the Arno . . . but did not consider the narrow Ponte Vecchio [in Florence] of sufficient strategic value to warrant destruc-

From Professor Emeritus Kenneth

Though true that the Ponte Vecchio was not totally destroyed, like its neighbours to east and west, it was nevertheless damaged by the extensive demolition of the buildings upon it. The shops were wrecked and mined and booby-trapped. German explosive charges also created a mountain of rubble to obstruct the

Immediate approaches. If buses must be routed along the Arno adjoining the Ponte Vecchio one must hope that urgent attention is given to its safe-guarding. In Oxford there is concern about damage to ancient buildings from buses, but the latter were fortunately never subject to wartime high explosives of

Yours truly. KENNETH KIRKWOOD. 233 Woodstock Road, April 14.

From Mr C. N. Beattle, QC Sir, Your Rome correspondent states that during the Allied advance in the second world war the Germans did not consider the narrow Ponte Vecchio in Florence of sufficient

I venture to think that it had great strategic value which the Germans countered, not by blowing up the bridge itself, which was a magnifi-cent antiquity, but by blowing up the apartment blocks at the north end of the bridge, thus blocking the north road with rubble ten feet deep.

strategic value to warrant destruc-

I, as a British army liaison officer with the Americans, on whose sector of the front Florence lay, well remember my vehicle nosed into the rubble, dimbing over, and entering Florence on foot.

Yours faithfully, C. BEATTIE, 1 The Gatehouse, 27 Old Buildings Lincoln's Inn, WC2.

Business letters, page 17

Letters to the editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number (071) 782 5046.

Village shops From Councillor M. R. Bishop Sir, Some councils adopted the Test Valley borough council's business-rate rebate scheme for village shops

(report, April 15; letter, April 18) quite a while ago. My own district council, Rother, introduced such a scheme in 1990-1, when it was Conservative-controlled, and it has continued to operate it since, despite losing its Conservative

majority.

The tests for eligibility are finan-cial hardship within a business, the loss of which would result in exceptional hardship to local residents. The relief granted has ranged from 50 per cent to 100 per cent. Of this, three quarters of the value is, by law, financed from the national businessrate pool, and one quarter by the

district's chargepayers.
With only a single exception (an edge-of-town neighbourhood store), the sole beneficiaries have been our traditional village shops and/or subpost offices. Councillors elsewhere should, indeed, follow these examples

Yours faithfully. MICHAEL BISHOP, Beckley, Rye, East Sussex.

#### Man of Kent From Mr Michael Wickenden

Sir, Political correspondents cannot

be expected to be as knowledgeable. as the prime minister on the subject of cricket; but a reference to Alfred Mynn, the lion of Kent, as a "Surrey cricketer" ("Reshaped cabinet sets out priorities". April 16) surely requires correction.

Mynn (1807-1861) was born at Goudhurst on the Kentish Weald, and according to the Dictionary of National Biography he played 99 matches for Kent. In leading the county team to pre-eminence for over 20 years he came to be regarded as one of the greatest cricketers of his time, playing for the All-England XI from 1846 to 1854. Eventually he impoverished himself through his devotion to the game.

Mynn now lies in the village churchyard at Thurnham, below the North Downs. As a popular ode

As the changing seasons pass, As our champion lies sleeping under the Kentish grass, Proudly, sadly we will name him — To forget him were a sin.

Yours sincerely, MICHAEL WICKENDEN. 20 Frankland Crescent, Parkstone, Poole, Dorset.

#### **Birthdays**

The Queen celebrates her birth-

Mrs Angela Barrett, tennis champion, 60: Professor Gerald Benney, gold and silversmith, 62; Mr Tom Burns, former editor, The Tablet. 86; Sir George Burton, former chairman, Fisons, 76; the Earl of Derby, 74; Mr Laurence Ellis, rector, Edinburgh Academy, 60; Sir Eric Faulkner former chairman, Lloyds Bank, 78; Air Marshal Sir John Hunter-Tod. 75; Sir Robin Ibbs, deputy chairman, Lloyds Bank, 66; Mr John McCabe, former director, London College of Music, 53; Dr general, WHO, 69; Mr John Mortimer, QC, barrister, play-wright and author, 69; Sir Geoffrey Palmer, former Prime Minister of New Zealand, 50; Sir Raymond Potter, former chairman. Halifax Building Society. 76; Mr Anthony Quinn, actor, 77: the Earl of Verulam, 40.

#### Marriage

Mr A.C. Bragg and Miss M.E.C. Mroczek The marriage took place on Monday, April 20, at St Etheldreda's Church, London between Mr Andrew Bragg, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Bragg, of Cambridge and Miss Mary Mroczek, daughter of Mrs Peggy Mroczek, of Wimbledon.

#### Thanksgiving services

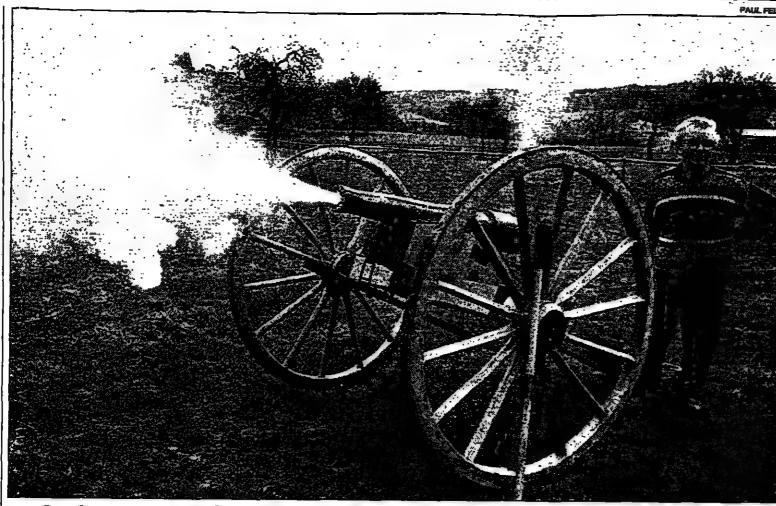
Earl Spencer A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Edward John, 8th Earl Spencer will be held in St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey, at noon on Tuesday, May 19. Those wishing to attend are invited to apply for tickets in writing to The Rector's Secretary. Room 19, The Chapter Office, 20 Dean's Yard. Westminster Abbey, London, SW1P 3PA, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope, by no later than May 1. Tickets will be posted on May 12. Admission to the service will be by ticket only.

Prince George Galitzine
A service of thanksgiving for the
life of Prince George Galitzine
will be held at the Guards Chapel,
Mellioner Paradachian Wellington Barracks, at noon on Friday, May 1, 1992.

#### **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: Jan van Riebeeck, surgeon, founder of Cape Town, Culemborg, Netherlands, 1619; Charlotte Bronte, Thornton,

DEATHS: St Anselm. bishop of Canterbury 1093-1108; Peter Abelard, theologian, Chalon-sur-Saone, 1142; Henry VII, reigned 1485-1509, Richmond, Surrey, 1509;



Gerry Sweeney tests a replica of an American civil war cannon made by his two-man firm at Sudeley Castle in the Cotswolds. Mr Sweeney will supply replicas of firearms from the sixteenth to nineteenth centuries and has just begun an Elizabethan culverin-

Repton School
Summer term at Repton School
begins mday. Commemoration
and Speech Day will be on
Saturday, May 23, at which the
Bishop of Repton will re-dedicate
the refurbished Chapel and the
speaker will be Lord Alexander of
Weedon

St Maur's School, Weybridge Term starts on Thursday, April 23, and will end on Friday, July 3, 1992, at 12.30pm. Half-term is from the end of afternoon school.

on May 22, to Monday, June 1, 1992. The St Maur's Association

Summer Event will take place on the afternoon of Saturday, June

Wrekin College Summer term starts today at Wrekin College. Confirmation will be conducted by the Bishop of

will be conducted by the Bishop of Shrewsbury on May 3. Mr Dennis Silk will open the New Boy's boarding house on May 5 and the Summer Ball will be on May 22. On June 18 and 19 the seven houses will present a sequence of The Mysteries, as recently adapted for the National Theatre.

20, starting at 2.00pm.

### School announcements

Benenden School Term starts today at Benenden School, Senior's Day will be held on May 16 and Speech Day will take place on July 4.

The King's School, Canterbury Suramer Term begins today. The Annual Choral Concert will take place in the cathedral on May 9. King's week will run from June 25 until July 1. The Open Day will be June 26 (details from the Headnaster's Secretary). Speech Day
is Thursday, July 2 when the
Anniversary Preacher will be the
Reverend Dr Charles Elliott.
Dean of Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

Moire Hose, Earlier not Summer term begins to-day and ends on Saturday, July 4. Dr John Clarke and Mrs Kenneth Macdonald have join the Governing body. Sarah Hobbs (formerly of the Duke of Kent Preparatory School) and Alex Hawkins (formerly of St Bede's Preparatory School) have been elected the new School) have been elected the new School Knights. The School will continue its involvement with the Pilkington Tennis Tournament at Devoushire Park from June 13 to 20. Founders' Day is on Saturday June 20, when the guest speaker

will be David Hicks, MBE, Former Director-General of the English-Speaking Union and General Director of the International Shakespeare Globe Centre. The School is supporting a local competitor, David Johnson, in the British Steel Round the World Yacht Race, and he will visit the

Tae Princess Heiems College Summer term begins today and ends on July 1. The Speech Day and Garden Party is on June 20, and the Guest Speaker is Dr Mary Archer. The Summer Ball is on June 27. For details please contact the Secretary at the

Acad's School, Cobbins Summer term begins on Tuesday, April 21 and ends on Saturday, July 4. Peter Knight is Captain of School and Matthew Nest-Smith School and Mannew Near-Smith is Captain of Cricket. The Choral Society sings Mendelssohn's Elijah on Sunday, May 17, and Old Recdonian Reunion Day is Saturday, June 27. A lunch to thank donors to the Annual Foundation Appeal will be held at School on Thursday, July 2, the day on which the XI plays the Stock Exchange.

### Chess grandmasters offer prize challenge

AN OPEN chess tournament with prize money to spend in an auction of early books on the game will be held in London on May 6 John Shaw writes).

Players are being invited to ake part in a simultaneous display given by two grandmasters, Raymond Keene, chess correspondent of The Times, and Murray Chandler, editor of British Chess magazine.

Prizes of £100 each in credits will be awarded by Christie's to the two best opponents in the judgment of the grandmasters. The money will go towards any purcha from the library of the late Dr Robert Blass, a Swiss lawyer, at the firm's South Kensington auction room on May 8.

1,000 books is said to be the finest collection of its kind to appear on the market for decades. The library contains

game play written by the loth-century Spaniard Ruy Lopez, a priest famed as a great player (estimate £1,500-£2,000).

The sale also contains lots originally belonging Paul Morphy (1837-1884), an American, whose spectacular rise and sudden retirement was similar to that of Bobby Fischer a century later. The catalogue says: "Although grounded in entirely different personalities, their chess styles show a similar decep-tive clarity, and their with-drawal into eccentricity has turned them both into

It accompanies original score cards from Morphy's blindfold game with Louis Paulsen (1833-1891), who pioneered many opening variations still in the repertoire, notably in the Sicilian Defence (est £2,000-£3,000).

### **Forthcoming** marriages

Mr T.S. Birley and Miss F.A. de Putron

The engagement is announced between Thomas Spencer, elder son of Mr and Mrs H.L.H. Birley, Elgin, Morayshire, and Frances Alison, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.W. de Putron, of St Peter Port, Guernsey.

Miss M.J.K. Fraser

The engagement is announced between Benedict, elder son of Mr Geoffrey Cannon and Mrs Antonia Cannon, and Melissa Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jack Fraser.

Mr W.O.H. Friend and Miss A.L. Wedd

The engagement is announced between William, of Northdown, Kena, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Irvine Friend, of Muckle-stone, Staffordshire, and Louise, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Graham Wedd, of Lolworth, Cambridgeshire. Mr D.R. Gale-Hasicham and Miss C.J. Molyneax

The engagement is announced between David, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Roy Gale Hasleham. of Gorsedd, Clwyd, and Cindy, daughter of Mr Matthew Molyneux, of Southport.

Mr O.C. St J. Hoare

The engagement is announced between Oliver, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. Michael Hoare, of Little Thurlow, Suffolk, and Sophie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.R.E. Stanton, of The House. Dersingham.

Mr W.F. Moore

and Miss S.A. Shone The engagement is announced between William, son of Mr and Mrs Arthur Moore, of Ascot. Berkshire, and Alexandra, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Shone, of Willaston. South

#### Hospital may reopen as medical museum

**By JOHN YOUNG** 

A HOSPITAL which was closed last year may house a national museum of health care if financial backing can be found. The Royal Buckinghamshire Hospital in Ayles-bury is considered particularly suitable because of its association with Florence Nightingale, who advised on its design and equipment. The hospital was opened in 1862, thanks in large part to the fund-raising efforts of Miss Nightingale's brother-law.

in-law, Sir Harry Verney. He had earlier approached her for her support, which she gave only on condition that the plans were submitted for her approval.

The close interest she took in its buildings is shown in a series of letters which combine mericulous attention to detail with a determination that her principles should not be compromised. "Bear in mind that it is absolutely necessary that every ward should be commanded by its nurse's room, with a window looking into her ward," she writes.

Another letter states: "The wards should be at least 20 foot wide and 15 foot high, with 1,200 cubic feet per bed at least. Each large ward should have three water clos-Short levels, page 6 | ets built out from it at the end.
The same outbuilding should contain a fixed bath with hot and cold water laid on." Later, in a dispute over the overcrowding of beds with insufficient ventilation, she protests against her authority being used for a plan against several features of which I have entered an objection." A proposal to use chaff-filled mattresses is dismissed with Miss Nightingale insisting that hair is the only suitable

Since the last units were transferred to Stoke Mandeville, the building has been boarded up. The area health authority is anxious to sell it. but has yet to receive government approval, and some local people would like to see part of the site used for a new community hospital.

The museum project is being co-ordinated by Bernard Quoroll, chief executive of Aylesbury Vale District Council. He said he was considering an approach to the Wellcome Foundation to fi-

nance a feasibility study.

The Wellcome Collection of the History of Medicine is at present in the custody of the Science Museum, and part of It is on display in two of the museum's galleries in South Kensington. But about nine tenths of the collection is in

#### Bomber pilot's medal could fetch £60,000

toria Cross, awarded posthumously after the first thousand-bomber raid over Germany in the second world war, is expected to make up to £60.000 at Christie's in London on Friday (John

Shaw writes).
Flying Officer Leslie Manser was just 20 when he took part in the raid on Cologne on May 30, 1942 but his aircraft was caught in search lights and badly damaged by German flak. While the target was bombed successfully, evasive action failed to throw off the lights and anti-aircraft fire, according to a a citation in the London Gazette.

The rear gunner was wounded and the front cabin filled with smoke. Pilot and crew could have escaped by parachute but Manser tried

Many will praise his intelli-gence, and it will never be forgotten. The internory of him will not die, and his name will live for ever and

MRTHS

ALAHENDRA - On April 17th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, London to Anusha tnee Diasi and Ninat a son Kishan

BLACKLOCK - On April 17th at Beth, to Carolyn & Jona-than a son Rory Miles.

to Helen and Francis a

daughter, Anaslazia

FARRELLY - On April 18 to Flona (nec Stuart) and Peter at Simpson Momorial Maternity Pavillon. Edinburgh, a son. Edward Andrew Peter, a brother for Alexandre and Sophie.

MORLER On April 12th to Emma the Red-Smith) and Jonathan

Jonathan a daughte Charlotle Ann Valentina.

JENKINSON - On Tuesday April 14 at home to Charlotte (nee Kcightley)

Sophia Elizabeth Rose-mary, a sister (or Alistair and William.

KANE - On April 14th, at The

Portland Hospital. to Nicota (nee Jenkins) and Thomas, a brautiful daughter. Emily

NEWTON - On April 18th to

PAGES - On April 16th 1992 in Bordeau to Laura (nee Fountain) and Yvas-Dominique. a daughter Ollista

ROBERTS - On April 17th to Nassau. Bahamas lo Rosamund (nee Lambert) and Edward a daughter. Julia Hazel

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A YOUNG RAF pilor's Vic- to save the Avro Manchester and its men from felling into

enemy hands. As the plane headed for home, it began to lose height and when a crash was inevitable he ordered the crew to bale out. The citation said: "A sergeant handed him a parachute but he waved it away, telling the non-commissioned officer to jump at once as he could only hold the plane steady a few seconds more.

"While the crew were de-scending to safety they saw the aircraft still carrying their gallant captain plunge to earth and burst into flames." The Manchester crashed

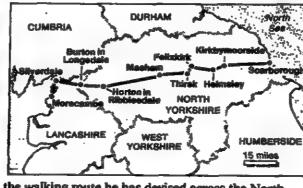
time off from the beat to walk the hills has devised a new coast-to-coast route to rival the famous trans-Pennine crossing created by Alfred Wainwright. The 154-mile path from Morecambe Bay in the west

has just been published in a guidebook for those who want to follow in the footsteps of Police Constable Bill Clapperton, a Cleveland community officer. "I did it partly to attract people away from the Wain-

wright route because it is becoming so badly eroded and partly for my own interest in near the Dutch border and four of the crew eventually got developing a new way across back to Britain. Details of the north of England." PC Manser's courage emerged Clapperton, 44, said. He took notes as he tested the route. from their debriefing and the VC was awarded in October listing not only the tracks to take, which are all existing



public rights of way, but also interesting diversions and what can be seen along the way."I worked it out so that it is all a gentle, even paced walk which most people could attempt. It is divided into sections that can be attempted on a daily basis for those wanting to take their time over it. The longest section



PC Bill Clapperton and the walking route he has devised across the North

day."

Beginnng at Silverdale on the shores of Morecambe Bay it runs past Burton in Lonsdale in north Lancashire to the North Yorkshire hills of Ingleborough and Pen-y-Ghent via Horton in

without a break is only nine Ribblesdale. It then crosses miles, so most people should the Dales national park to be able to achieve that in a Masham before crossing the the Dales national park to flatlands north of Thirsk and

striking into the Hambleton Hills at Felixkirk. Next it enters the North York Moors national park, skirting Helmsley to Kirkbymoorside. From there it drives through the North Riding Forest Park side at the town's south bay. His guidebook, published y Teesside Art College, will be sold to raise funds for the Teesside Hospice Care Fourtdation in Middlesbrough, which is in his community netch. He had hoped to call

into Forte Valley near Scar-

borough, arriving at the sea-

the route the Hospice Coast to Coast, but it has already become Clapperton's Way among the walking fraternity. Those who complete it within 12 months will be eligible for a badge and certificate from the hospice.

The Pennine Way generates about £2 million in spending and helps to create or support 156 jobs, according to a survey by the Countryside Commission of the use and economic impact of the forerunner of long distance paths (Ronald Faux writes). Sir John Johnson, chairman of the commission and a

provides essential information to help manage the Pennine Way and other national trails in a way that gives walkers a real feeling for such fine tracts of countryside.

keen walker, says the report

The survey shows that be-tween April and October 1990, 10,000 long distance walkers and 153,000 day walkers went along the Pennine Way. With out-of-season walkers added, over the full year the 250-mile path was likely to be used by 12,000 long distance and 250,000 day walkers.

The report says that one in four long distance walkers could not find the type of accommodation wanted but nevertheless some returned to do the Pennine Way five times a year.

Pennine Way Survey 1990 (CCP 361. Countryside Commission Publications, £20)

#### Telephone 071 481 4000

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

DEATHS Antieresca - On April 16th pracefully in Lanzarste. Canary Islands. Maisle Widow of Hamilton Anderson and of HC Marks, much loted mother of Mary Ann Southam and of the late Elisabeth Ann Marks and sister of Bunny Morris Funeral has taken piece.

BALL- On Easter Day, April 19. peacefully at home. Jim (Charles James), aged 69 Dear husbane of Mary, loving and much loved father of David, Alison and Andrew and grandfather of Julian. Sarah and Elliot, Family flowers only. Donations if desired to RMSA (CRC) c/o Church House or The Glass Sellers Charity Fund. Funeral service at 81. Marys, Lamberhursi on Monday April 27 at 2pm. BALL - On Easter Day, April

2pm.

CASTLE-STEWART - On April 18th, Eleanor Countess peacefully at home. Cremation at Pembury. Tunbridge Wells at 4pm on April 28th. Memorial service in Colemans Hatch Church. East Sussex at noon on Tuesday May 26

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CUMENT SON - On Airli
17th 1992 at Weston
super-mare. Desiree
Fawcus (Dizzy) aged 72.
former headmistress of
Sunny Hill School.
Bruton Funeral service.
St Nicholas Church. Uphill. Weston-super-mare.
Wednesday April 22nd.
2 30pm. Family flowers
only please.

only please.

GLMLIFFE - On April 18 at Fleet. Hants. Cacile Certrude Cunliffe MBE. aged 94. Daughter of Mai Gen Predrick Cunliffe. Aunt Stale to her family. Funeral service at All Saints Church. Floet on Tuesday 28 April 31 1.30pm. Family flowers only. Donations to British Heart Foundation c o A & W Goddard Ltd. Kent Road. Fleet. Hants

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rium. Randalls Park, Leatherhead on Thursday April 23rd. at 10,30am. No Nower's but donations if deskred to Save the Children Fund. 1992, Lt. Col. Calin Blakeney Gray MBE. Jale The Queen's Royal Reg. of Hope House. 63 North Liberty Street, Nantucket, Mass. USA. Devoted Imsband of Mary tince Lloyd Owen), father of Cillian and David and grandfather of Sophe. Lily, Alexander. Colin and Alexandra. HERLETT - On April 19th. peacefully at the North Devon District Hospital, Barnstaple. Mary Ruthaged 93 years. Much loved former headmistress of West Bank School in Bideford and Sidmouth Funeral service at the church of the Sacred Heart, Bideford on Fiday April 24th at 11 30am. followed by cremation at Barnstaple Crematiorium. No flowers please but donations if desired to Sue Ryder Homes. 5 o Michael Morris Funeral Services. Bideford. Tel: 02374
75741
MACKIE - On April 19 1992. peacefully at Gloucester House Nursing Home. Bevenoaks. Ursula thee Ebbiewhile) aged 99. Widow of Gharies Gordon Mackie. Much loved by all her family and friends Private cremation.

DE JONGE - On April 14

1992. Rev Dr 8 H de
Jonge aged 89 years.
Ordained griest in 1926 of
Goring on-Thames.
Funeral service at St.
Andrew's Parish Church.
South Sloke. Oxon on
Thursday April 23 at 1.45
pm. Flowers may be sent
to A D Walker A Son
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BUFFIELD - On April 16th 292 suddenly at home.
Charles William, beloved
husband of Kathioen, loving faither of Catherine and
adoring grandfather of
Rachael. Funeral service
at Randalls Park.
Leatherhead on Thursday
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desired to Save the Child.

O483 416403.

MALCOLM - On April 16th
1992. Mary. greatly loved
widow of Billy and mother of
James and John. Cremation
private, but a Service of
Thanksgiving will be held at
the Parish Church of St
Clement, Sandwich, Kent, at
3 pm on Monday April 27th. Spring on Monday April 27th.

MoBRIDE - On April 16 suddenly at home with his farmily. Barrie St Clair McBride, much loved husband of Jill, loving father of Alexandra and Alastair. Funeral service at Ali Saints. Hilton. Dorset on Friday April 24 at Sprin. Family flowers only please Donations in aid of Riding for the Disabled. Hanford group.

REID - On April 14th 1992. John Robson, suddenly in Marazion, Cornwall, aped 66. Devoted husband of Sylvia, loving father of Dost-inic, Suzannah and Victoria.

VICKERS - On Good Friday April 17th 1992 peaceful-ity. Duicle, much loved mother of Hugo and Imagen, Funeral Pamber Priory, 12 noon Monday Priory. 12 noon Monday April 27th Family Rowers only. Donations if desired to RSPCA. Inquiries Spen-cer and Payton 0256 23165.

WACHMAN - On April 18th 1992. Patricia Zoe, be-loved wife of Alfred and devoted mother of Richard and the late Edward Cremation at Hosp Lane, Golders Green, on Wad-nesday April 22nd at 2.30pm.

Heary de Pinna, moch loved husband of Ursula, father of Robert and brother of Frances Ribens. Cremation 3pm on Thursday April 23 at Golders Green Cremation, Hoop Lane. No flowers please but donations it whited to imperial Caincer Research Fund.

IN MEMORIAM -PRIVATE

SCHMEIDER - Louis LLB On 21st April 1967. Devoted son, brother and friend. So dearly loved, so sadily missed.

SLAUGHTER - Enid Lillian. Died 21st April 1987. So very dearly loved. So very greatly missed.

STONE - Hyman remembering Hy always with deepest love and gratinath. Derothy, victor and Jonathan. April 21st. 1961.

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(c) A type of orchestra common in the East Indies, esp. in Java, from the Javanese gamel to handle: "At what point the gamelan emerged from a small ensemble of gongs into the elaborately organized orchestra it is today is not known." FLACKET. (c) To rustic like a taffeta dress, frequentative of flack. Women's ribbons or loose gear are said to flacket about. It is more expressive than flap. A dressy loose woman would have the former word applied to her, "Ske'll go flacketen about."

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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### SIR WILLIAM McEWAN YOUNGER

Sir William McEwan Younger, DSO, DL, brewer, died on April 15 aged 86. He was born on September 6. 1905.

WILLIAM McEwan Younger played a significant role in the commercial and political life of Scotland in the 1960s and 1970s. He was chairman of Scottish and Newcastle Breweries from 1960 to 1969 and managing director for all but the last two of those years and was the dominant force in extending the brewery's interests nationally: A man of strong and inde-

pendent views, he had no brief for the received wisdom of the brewing industry of the day, which relied on expansion by acquisition of tied trade in tenanted houses through the issue of share capital. He was a convinced free trader in every sense of the term and a strong believer in competition. Acquisition was by organic growth and the use of cash, and market share was to be gained by the development of strong brands and the use of clever marketing. His prime strategy in building up the brewery was to seek outlets in free houses, rather than for it to build its own chain of public houses. He was a pioneer in the use of cans, and when he retired in 1969 Scottish and Newcastle had almost ten per cent of the beer trade in the UK while possessing only a few hundred tied or managed

When an opportunity was offered to join with Tennents, and thus make a combine



that could totally dominate the brewing industry in Scotland, he refused it, saying it would eliminate competition and thus be bad for both customer and producer.

Though diffident to the point of shyness in personal relationships, his extraordinary business self-confidence and original mind made him an inspiring boss to work for, and he backed his subordinates to the hilt if they used their own initiative.

Born at Meirose, William McEwan Younger was brought up on the banks of Tweed. He was educated at Winchester and Balliol

College, Oxford, where he developed a life-long love of mountaineeri, g. In later life he was elected an honorary fellow of Balliol. On leaving Oxford he succeeded his father in the family firm of William McEwan, the Edinburgh brewers which had been started by his great uncle\_

During the second world war he commanded successively the 40th Light AA Bat-tery and the 14th Light AA Regiment RA, taking part in all the North African campaigns, the landing at Saler-no and the Italian campaign. He achieved great distinction during the first siege of Tobruk when the battery he commanded successfully beat off repeated Stuka attacks. claiming more than 50 enemy aircraft. For this he was awarded the DSO.

After the war he returned to Edinburgh and set about reviving the brewing industry in Scotland. Under his leadership the integration of McEwan's and William Younger's was completed, followed by the absorptions of Bernard's, Morison's and the Robert Younger's breweries and finally a merger with Newcastle Breweries in 1961 to form Scottish and Newcastle Breweries. By nature and upbringing a Con-servative of the "one nation" variety, he stood unsuccessfully as a parliamentary can-didate for West Lothian. He continued to take an active part in Conservative politics for many years. He was an enthusiastic supporter of Edward Heath's leadership and was chairman of the Conservative party in Scot-land from 1971 to 1974, for which he was made a baronet.

Always a radical in political thought, he was a founder member of, and major contributor to, the Institute of Economic Affairs. He was on the board of the British Linen Bank, the Scottish Widows Fund and Life Assurance Soclety, and Scottish Television and was a particularly successful chairman of the Second Scottish Investment Trust. He was actively in-volved in assisting his fellow Scotsto take advantage of the industrial changes taking place internationally, helping to devise a scheme to enable industrialists, planners and trade unionists to meet their foreign counterparts. He was a founder and chairman of the Highland Tourist (Cairngorm Developmenti Lid.

A notable contributor to charity he gave his house at Balerno to be a school for the Save the Children Fund.

He was married first to Nora Balfour from whom he was divorced in 1967, and by whom he had one daughter, Caroline, and then to June Peck, who nursed him with devoted attention through his

last illness.

Sleeping Beauty, all within three years: Agrippina Vaganova, the great teach-

#### VAKHTANG CHABUKIANI

Vakhtang Chabukiani, the greatest male dancer of his generation, died of a heart condition in Tbilisi, Georgia, on April 5 aged 82. He was born in Tbilisi on March 12, 1910.

WITHIN one month, three of the men who transformed Russian ballet from its imperial past to its revolutionary fervour have died: Asaf Messerer in Moscow, Konstantin Sergeyev in Leningrad and now Vakhtang Chabukiani in his native Georgia. All were well advanced in years and although they were still active as teachers or producers (the Maryinsky Ballet's brilliant young star Zelensky is a pupil of Chabukiani's) their great conni-bution lay in the past. It has to be said, however, that they

were giants who bestrode the world of art. Men in ballet today, all over the world, dance differently (and better) for their influence, but only a handful of their successors can be ranked alongside

Vakhtang Chabukiani was, by genu-me consensus, the finest of them, unmatched for his fiery personality, his virtuosity, his ideal physique and manly bearing, and his ability to combine dramatic and dancing skills over a wide range of roles. As a choreographer and director, too, he showed forceful talent.

He never danced in Britain, and only on two occasions in America: as a young dancer sent with a partner in 1934 for a concert tour marking a political agree-ment between the two countries, and 30 years later towards the end of his career when he was still able to enjoy success in the famous pas de deux from The Cor-sair. But films of his dancing and the evidence of the roles created for him (often his own choreography) confirm the awed admiration of contemporary descriptions.

Three qualities in particular were re-peatedly described. First, the sheer vitu-osity of his dancing: the way he could soar around the stage in tempestuous leaps which were compared with an eagle's flight, or the fact that he turned so fast in piroueties that the spectator's eye was dazzled. Second, the way he used his dance skills to theatrical effect, whether to play a war-like mountain chieftain in one of his own ballets, or to breathe new vigour into the traditional classical roles. And underlying all this, a very virile, dominating presence; nobody found it the least odd that, following Georgian custom, he insisted on keeping his mous-tache even when dancing the conventional old classics.

Chabukiani was born into a poor family and from the age of nine was put to making baskets and toys to eke out their income. Delivering some of these at Christmas to the only ballet school in Tbilisi, his appearance caught the eye of the teacher, Maria Perrini, who began giving him free lessons where his talent

Monce became obvious.
When he was 14, two visiting dancers from Leningrad persuaded him that he needed to study there, but it was another two years before he could make the the famous school, his earlier studies being thought insufficient, but he began (like Sergeyev) in the evening course that had been set up for late starters. However, his zeal, flair, intelligence and hard work enabled him to complete the full course in three years, only the last of which was full-time.

Accepted in the State Academic (later Kirov) Theatre in 1929, he was given important solos at once, in Lopukhov's Ice Maiden and the pas de trios in Swan Lake; before the end of his first season he danced Siegfried in the latter work. This was the first of many big leading roles in quick succession, as Basilio in Don Quixote, in the grand pas of Raymonda, Albrecht in Giselle and Bluebird in The

er in Leningrad at that time, encouraged Chabukiani to strive for increasingly difficult virtuoso effects, and when she revived Peripa's Esmeralda in 1935 the changes she introduced included a new showpiece duet, Diana and Acteon, for Ulanova and Chabukiani which has since entered the international repertoire. The version of the Corsair pas de deux widely known today was also made



with Chabukiani's exceptional gifts in mind and the choreography for the man's solo is by him. Although the Communist government had accepted that preserving the classical heritage for a new, wider audience was important, pride of place went to building a new repertoire, and Chabukiani had leading roles in many of the historic creations of the 1930s. They included the Sportsman in The Golden Age, Jerome in The Flames of Paris and Vaslav in The Fountain of Bakhchisarai, besides parts in Lost Illusions, Taras Bulba and Parti-

Not content with contributing as a erformer to these epoch making works by Lopukhov, Vainonen, Zakharov and thers, Chabukiani also became a choreographer (usually dancing the leading male role too). His first attempt was a bravura solo for himself. The Fire Dance, to music by Rubinstein.

With The Heart of the Hills in 1938 he turned to an episode from Georgian history, a revolt against high taxes in feudal times, for an ambitious full-evening work. It had music and design by two of Chabukiani's Georgian fellow countrymen, respectively Andrei Balanchivadze (George Balanchine's brother) and the gifted, later hugely influential Simon Virsaladze. The choreography drew upon traditional folk dance elements for the impassioned men's dances and the soft flowing movements (transposed into balletic pointwork) of the women.

The success of this was followed the next year by Laurencia, another big ambitious work based on Lope de Vega's tragedy Fuente Ovejuna, also about a peasant's revolt against a tyrant. Chabukiani danced the male leads in both these ballets. His aim was to tell the stories entirely through expressive dance without needing any separate acting or

At the height of his fame, Chabukiani returned during the war to Tbilisi and to become for the next 30 years director, choreographer and for a long time leading dancer at the Paliashvili Opera House, devoting his great gifts and his patriotic fervour to building a national ballet for Georgia which achieved a standard that he could present with pride at international festivals in Vienna (1958) and Paris (1966).

including several on national themes, such as Sinatis and Gorda, also The Demon, based on Lermontov's poem, and a masterly treatment of Othello (1957) in which the power and intensity of his own performance in the title part were unmatched.

Chabukiani remained in demand for performances in Moscow and Leningrad, and in 1947 he was responsible for revival of La Bayadère at the Kirov heatre which substantially reshaped the ballet into the form best known today and much increased the bravura demands on its leading man.

When Rudolf Nureyev first burst upon the ballet scene in Leningrad in 1958, it was Chabukiani's choreography that gave him his first successes, and memories of Chabukiani in his prime to whom informed spectators turned as a stan-dard of judgement. By coincidence the two men had much in common in their backgrounds as well as in their dancing. Lamentably, Chabukiani's gifts were not so widely seen, but his patriotic pride put the city of Tbilisi firmly in the history of ballet. His achievements brought many honours, among them the rare title of People's Artist of the USSR.

#### **APPRECIATIONS**

#### Dr Peter Mitchell

PETER Mitchell (obituary, April 15) possessed a penetrating intellect and a dazzling intuition. For me, no scientist stands so firmly as a model for all scientists. I am not alone in this feeling, and I shall try to describe why this The 1978 Nobel prize for

chemistry was awarded to

Mitchell for formulating the theory that correctly describes biological energy transfer from food nutrients or light to adenosine triphosphate (ATP), the useful energy currency of the cell. When Mitchell first set forth this elegant hypothesis, in a paper published in Nature in 1961. it was entirely without experimental support. It was also a radical departure from pre-vailing dogma and was opposed by the world's leading biochemists. Only after nearly two decades of vigorous debate and intense experimentation was the hypothesis generally accepted and elevated to the status of theory. The Nobel prizes are

awarded for work that has had a major impact on research and understanding. They are normally awarded for an act of discovery or for the development of an impor-tant new technique. Mitchell was awarded the prize for a pure act of the imagination. Moreover, the work for which he was honoured followed in the most perfect sense the scientific method. The idea came first, and each element of his hypothesis was constructed in such a way as to be amenable to refutation by

experiment Às an undergraduate, I had been captivated by the power and simplicity of the scientific method and be-lieved strongly that careful hypothesis-building was a prerequisite for experimental design. Nevertheless, it seemed to me that this great ideal of scientific practice was more honoured in the breach than in the observance. Mitchell put the horse squarely in front of the cart, and I read his paper in a state of stunned and grateful rec-ognition. His achievement is a constant inspiration to scientists, not merely because his marvellous intuition eventually proved to be correct, but also because of the purity of this method.

Mitchell gave us an extraordinarily complete and accurate picture not only of how the mitochondria and chloroplasts transform energy from nutrients into ATP. but also how they survive within the cell under the stress of constant and rapid movements of ions and water across their membranes. At this physiological level, he succeeded magnificently in achieving his lifelong goal of unifying metabolism and membrane transport. He worked to the end of his life to perfect the deeper concept of vectorial metabolism upon which the chemiosmotic theory was based. Through these concepts, he continues



energise biochemical research, and, given the mighty intellect of the man, this too may become a paradigm of biology.
Intellectual and personal

attraction do not always converge, but my wife and I were immediately enchanted with Peter and Helen Mirchell when first we met. I think mostly of the four of us laughing together, of Pete's wonderful elfin look. I remember the time we went on vacation with them, and Pete and I got into a scientific discussion so intense we scarcely left the house.

Pete was an extraordinarily attractive man, in the best sense. During his final week. my sense of impending loss was continually interrupted by joyful memories of his generous and youthful spirit. Pete was not afraid of death and was grateful for having lived such a full and happy life. He projected this positive energy with uncommon grace, and he enriched the lives of all who knew him.

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#### Norman Bruce

WHEN Colonel Norman Bruce (obituary, April 1) retired from the army and moved to Shropshire to take up a teaching post at Prestielde Preparatory School in Shrewsbury, he gave much pleasure to so many boys who did not excel in the classroom, by taking over the woodwork department and expanding it beyond all expectations into one of the most popular extra-curricular activities that the echool provided.

But it was on the rugby field that he really felt at home.

imparting all his knowledge and enthusiasm to eager young boys of 13 years old keen to learn and be inspire by such a famous and yet unassuming man.

He gave so much pleasure to so many aspiring rugby players, which is quite a leat at such a young age, when one is continually being flattened by boys twice your size and weight. Yet with Norman Bruce, you always wanted to jump back up onto your feet to avoid being reprimanded by that loud, barking Scottish

David Walker Presfelde School (1978-84)

#### **ALFREDA HODGSON**

Alfreda Hodgson, British mezzo, died on April 17 aged 51. She was born at Morecambe on June 7, 1940.

ALFREDA Hodgson was one of the most sought after soloists in oratorio over the past 25 years. She was a distinguished singer in the Bach Passions and Handel's Messiah, a radiant Angel in Elgar's The Dream of Gerontius, a fine Magdalene in the same composer's The Apostles, and one of the most authoritative interpreters of the mezzo parts in works by Mahler and Britten. There

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were few who brought such understanding to Mahler's Das Licd von der Erde.

Her appearances in opera were few, but she made a notable debut with the English National Opera in 1974 as the soothsayer Ulrica in Verdi's A Masked Ball. Her Covent Garden debut came even later - in a double bill by Ravel - in 1983. She also took the role of Sosostris in the Thames Television production of Tippett's A Mid-

summer Marriage. She studied at the Royal. Northern College of Music, first the cello, then voice, and appeared in student productions. She made her London debut at the Wigmore Hall in 1963, including Britten's cy-cle A Charm of Lullabies. In the same hall the following year she was awarded the Kathleen Ferrier Memorial Scholarship. Her first engagements with orchestra were with the Halle in Manchester. In London she first appeared with orchestra under the baton of Klemperer in Mahler's Second Symphony. Thereafter she never lacked for engagements at

home or abroad A particular pleasure was given by her duo programmes with the soprano Sheila Armstrong. In these she exhibited her natural oift for humour. Her final anpearances took place in January when she was already ill with the cancer that killed her. She bore her illness with courage and good cheer, qualities that always marked her singing.

Her voice, although capable of ranging high. was dark-hued in timbre. She used it at all times with consummate artistry. Although it was not large, it carried well in big halls because her tone was so well focused. She has left as a memorial of her art recordings of The Dream of Gerontius under Sir Alexander Gibson, The Apostles under Richard Hickox, Das Lied von der Erde, also with Gibson, and a lovely recital record, made in 1980, on which she sings, among other works. Britten's Charm of Lullabies and Brahms's Two

Songs with Viola. She is survived by her husband, the music teacher Paul Blissett, and their two daughters.

#### HENRY KREMER



HENRY Kremer, like Leonardo da Vinci, believed that man should be able to fly using the power of his musdes. Although an ingenious inventor, such a feat was bevond him but Kremer was prepared to put his money where his mouth was. He promoted the ancient dream by offering cash prizes and development grants for the first person to achieve it.

The first cash prize was offered in 1959 when he donated £5,000 to be administered by the man-powered flight group of the Royal Aeronautical Society for a figure-of-eight flight round two markers half a mile apart

Over the next 27 years Cremer's personal sponsorship led to short flights, completion of a figure-of-eight course and the spectacular Channel crossing in 1979. During that period his sponsorship amounted to more than £150,000. He realised that this was the first real step in human-powered flight and gave the Royal Aeronautical Society a further £100,000 prize money to encourage the design of more robust and

practical aircraft. A speed competition was

devised which became an outstanding success, with the fifth and final winner completing the 1,500 metre course at a speed of 44kph. There are Kremer prizes still to be won of £50,000 and £10,000 respectively for the "Marathon" and "Seaplane" competitions.

Henry Kremer was brought to England from Latvia as a child and was educated in Britain and Switzerland, becoming a British citizen. Although his manpowered flight competition attracted widespread interest and publicity. Kremer was a self-effacing man who avoid-ed the limelight.

For more than 50 years he was the head of a number of industrial companies which introduced numerous technical innovations. His personal achievements in the invention, design and application of new technologies were first recognised in 1941 when he developed a process for making a plywood substitute from sawdust, wood shavings and resin. Structural moulded boards replaced natural timber, which was then unobtainable, and were used in the war effort and later commercially. This was the first product of its type in Britain and it grew into the chipboard industry.

In 1953 he produced a process of making glass fibres which were chopped and assembled with adhesive and, when used with epoxy resin, formed strong structural material. This process, initially only for defence purposes, is now used commercially for most reinforced plastics work. Without the resin it is now well known as fibreglass insu-

From 1954 to 1974 his developments included improved chaff dropped by aircraft to confuse airborne radar, advanced plastic packaging materials for weapons. electro viscous fluids and other defence products.

In 1974 he took over the

concept of the "wheelbarrow" to approach suspected terrorist bombs and, although production was assigned to another company, he made the first usable version. In 1979, in conjunction with the Fighting Vehicles Research Establishment, he developed the hydrogas suspension system produced for the Challenger tank and specified for the Chieftain.

Kremer made a lifetime pursuit of physical fitness and this helped lead him to the belief that with the right aircraft a trained athlete could achieve the ultimate - manpowered flight. He realised, too, that the best way he could contribution to the achievement of this goal would be by providing the financial incentives.

It is doubtful that humanpowered flight would have been achieved and developed to the extent it has been without the encouragement and support of Henry Kremer. The Royal Aeronautical Society honoured him with Companionship in 1975, and in 1988 the Feder-Aéronautique ation

Internationale presented him with its highest award, the Gold Air Medal, and later made him a Companion of Honour of the FAI. He is survived by his wife

Norah, two sons and two daughters.

#### April 21 ON THIS DAY 1925

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annalled S.D. Adshead (1868-1946). architect and wa planner. One wonders such routes as the M3, M23

MOTOR TRACKS TO SOUTH COAST. To the Editor of

The Times

Sir, it is something of an irony that, following the excellent letter by Professor Aber-crombie bewaiting the encroachment of town on country, we should immediately get the "London and South Coast Motorways" promoting a Bill in Parliamen to penetrate the most secluded parts of Surrey and Sussex. It seems unnecessary to call public attention to the very serious consequences that will result should such a scheme as that proposed for connecting Lonwith Brighton, Portsmouth, and Southampton maturial

A motor track, necessarily wide and direct cannot be constructed through a cour like Surrey without consid erable cutting and filling: moreover, it will be com-plicated with specially arranged and frequent crossings, and altogether will strike a harsher note on the rural character of the scenery than did the railways in 1830.

Again, it may be asked, are such roads necessary, and is it wise to encourage such a proposal having regard to the well considered system of national roads that is being rapidly developed? One advantage of such a scheme, so the promoters suggest, would be "relief to the ratepayers by lifting from the rates some of the burden of intaining the present roads, which are so seriously dam-

aged by heavy motor traffic."
This statement, if not wholly incorrect, is at least mislead-ing. It is well known that 50 per cent, and in some cases 75 per cent, of the cost of the mprovement and mainte nance of those arterial roads is borne by the motorist, who, by direct taxation, provides the 15 millions which the Ministry of Transport is contributing annually towards roads through-out the country. On the whole, very excellent work is being done by local authorities finan-cially assisted in this way. Rates are being relieved, the un-employed are given work, and a national system of roads is developing based on a wise use of roads that exist already.

But quite apart from the questions of economics and the general disfigurement of the depreciation to thousands of very beautiful estates will be beyond calculation. Surrey and Sussex are today the most of the well-to-do. Driven from the suburbs, they have invested large sums of money to secure a rural retreat. But this is not all. As regards the interests of the private motorist and the user of the charabanc, whose run into the country is really an escape from Town - to these the spoilation would be as depressing as it was unforeseen. Commercial vehicles will not use it, becaue the present roads conveniently tap established places of call en route. And what are the advantages? A few swift cars will be enabled to rush to Brighton perhaps half an hour quicker than they could by the public way: special lines of fast-running public vehicles, which will in the end be nothing more than slow railways, will assist in convening agricultural land into building land: and the spread of the urban population which follows the making of a railway will be emphasized, only in a much more destructive way.

Yours faithfully, S.D. ADSHEAD. University of London, University College, Gower Street, WC1. April 20.

# Teenage thief wrecks £2m cars in a year

By Paul WILKINSON AND RICHARD FORD

A TEENAGE car thief who caused damage estimated at £2.2 million to 400 cars during a year-long car crime spree is expected to be released next month after serving ten months in youth

His case highlights the task facing the police in dealing with car crime, which last year accounted for almost 30 per cent of the 5.3 million offences recorded in England and Wales. Violent clashes

#### Smith tax strategy defended

Continued from page !

tax increases were for the fun of it." He added: "The tax increases were there to pay for an immediate increase in pensions and child benefit and to reverse the cuts in health and education. These commitments were right in principle and proved popular in practice."

Mr Cook challenged Mr Gould and others in the party to disclose whether they disagreed with the benefit rises or increases in health and education spending promised by Labour during the campaign. "Anyone who now thinks the tax increases were wrong must say which of the spending plans they think are

David Blunkett, shadow local government minister and Mr Gould's campaign manager, said the Smith camp's challenge would not help analyse why Labour lost. "We must avoid at all costs an educated analyse which which adversarial approach which will divert attention from looking to the future and how to rebuild a campaigning

party to attract voters." Ken Livingstone, the leadership outsider, also replied to the Smith camp's challenge. insisting that Labour could have dropped "damaging skilled workers and still increased social spending if E7.1 billion worth of defence savings had been promised in the campaign.

with the police in Oxford and Tyneside last summer were linked to car theft and joyriding. They led the government to introduce legislation to curb joyriding, which was passed last December.

The government has also bunched a £5m campaign to tackle car crime in which television and newspaper advertisements depict the car thief as a hyena scavenging on innocent people. But MPs have questioned

whether the legislation, under which drivers and passengers face prison sentences of up to five years, unlimited fines and unlimited automatic driving bans, will act as a deterrent to

Yesterday the father of the 15-year-old boy from Leeds said that all attempts to stop his son offending had failed. The youth stole cars valued at £3.2m from across Yorkshire and Humberside, wrecking or burning 400 vehicles. In an interview in The

Yorkshire Evening Post, the father said: "We have tried everything. Social services are a waste of time and the delay in bringing the case to court is a waste of time. We cannot see any alternative but to put him back in the young offenders' institution if he goes back to stealing cars after his re-lease. Maybe the shock would do him good. He is a danger to other people.".

The youth began by stealing cycles, graduating through motor cycles to Porsches. His parents tried to control him by discussing his difficulties and taking away While the government has

portrayed the car criminal as a contemporary scourge, pro-bation services throughout the country are attempting to deal with it by a series of different initiatives. Some have developed car

projects in which youngsters are encouraged to work with vehicles and to drive them. Others provide courses which involve providing an offender with driving lessons and up to the consequence of their actions by confronting the heartbreak and injury that can be caused by joyriding.



Bags of strength: David Cooper, above, after the charity race at the world coal carrying championships in Gawthorpe, West Yorkshire, yesterday in which 27 men ran a mile with 50 kilo sacks. David Jones was the winner. Struggling Doolittle, page 6

### Deaths mar the end of crowded Easter holiday

Continued from page 1 the main street. Fire crews rescued a man after he be-came stuck on the roof of his house in Oxford trying to retrieve a football, and two Gloucestershire fire crews had to rescue a flock of sheep which fell down an

Eight people were flown off a cruiser which ran aground last night on a mudbank in the river Crouch near Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex. An RAF rescue helicopter was scrambled from Manston after attempts to reach the cruiser by lifeboat failed. Elsewhere, traffic slowed to

a crawl as holiday-makers headed for inland theme parks and groups of Mods headed for the seaside. After months of economic dol-drums and aided, at least in part, by the royal seal of approval given to their man-made thrills, the likes of Alton Towers and Chessington World of Adventures had a bumper day — an experience shared by motorists as they could do little but stare at the car in front they struggled home last night.

The jams were exacerbated by participants in thousands become honeypots for bar-gain seekers. The Automo-bile Association reported long queues on the M27 near Southampton, the A259 at Lewes, East Sussex, and the A4 at Reading, Berishire, mainly caused by the ad hoc

The coasts, especially in the south, where cloud and mist kept temperatures down, were comparatively free of traffic problems, other than in a few isolated areas such as Scarborough and Rhyl, where there were as many people trying to get in as they were trying to get out at one point in the afternoon.

The London Weather Centre reported "miserable" conditions on the south coast and predicted an early rush home. "It's cloudy and misty with temperatures of only 10-11 centigrade. Disappointed day-trippers will be returning

The weather would be with the odd shower down the east coast.

Many families who travelled to Thorpe Park in Chertsey, Surrey, were turned



in following the recent visit by the Princess of Wales and her two sorts, William and Henry. A spokesman said: "We had to close the doors just after midday because we already had 16,000 visitors in the park. I am sure the visit from the princess helped bring the

Even without the benefit of visit from the princess, Chessington World of Adventures was also forced to close its gates soon after noon with

bright with any showers dying

14,000 already inside, and claimed that the park had turned into "one big carni-

Windsor Safari Park had more than 12,000 visitors as temperatures rose above 60 degrees fahrenfeit. Blackpool Pleasure Beach reported record crowds anxious to see being refurbished.

Twenty-three of 5,000 scooter-riding Mods who gathered at Margate, Kent, were arrested when fights

Northern Ireland will start

broke out with local youths. Later, their machines almost blocked the M2 and many broke down on the hard

With 16 race meetings and a full football programme, sport played its usual role in the day's festivities with many attracting record crowds. The Wembley, where the Freddie Mercury memorial concert attracted 72,000 and clogged roads throughout North

### Material girl fixes up her \$60m deal

FROM JAMES BONE

MADONNA has struck an estimated \$60 million (£34.3 million) deal with Time Warner Inc that will make the material girl the highest paid female entertainer in history.

The pop icon, who has generated sales of over \$1.2 billion in the last decade, will head her own entertainment company called Maverick in partnership with the media giant. Madonna describes the new concern as a cross between the innovative Bau-

haus of inter-war Germany and Andy Warhol's New York-based Factory.
"It started as a desire to have more control," she said recently. "There's a group of writers, photographers, di-rectors and editors that I've met along the way in my career who I want to take with me everywhere I go. I want to incorporate them into my little factory of ideas. I also come in contact with a lot of young talent that I feel entrepreneurial about. The deal rivals the \$50 mil-

lion-plus agreement Michael Jackson reached last year with Sony. Madonna's arrangement with Time Warner, the world's largest media company, will last for seven years and may be extended a further four.

Her previous albums have sold over 70 million copies worldwide. She has had nine No. 1 singles and 16 consecutive top five singles, more than any singer since Elvis

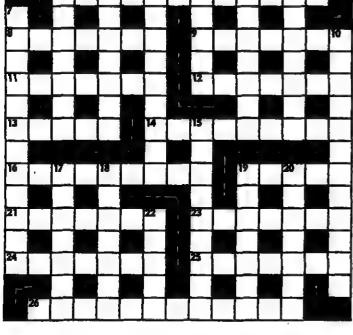
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Maverick will be run by Madouna and her long-time manager, Freddy DeMann.
As well as producing her records, Maverick will also develop feature films, televicing cracials. TV series can vision specials, TV series, ca-ble television and pay-per-view programming, music videos and books as well as merchandising Madonna One of its first projects is

likely to be a film biography of the life of the Mexican artist Frida Kahlo with Madonna in the leading role. Madonna's next album is due to be released this au-

Stephen Ross, Time Warner's chairman, and Gerald Levin, its president, tout-ed the Madonna deal as a triumph for individual expression within a corporate monolith. "Today's agree-ment with Madonna to form Maverick opens up a unique and creative freedom within a larger global corporate structure," they said.

#### THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,898



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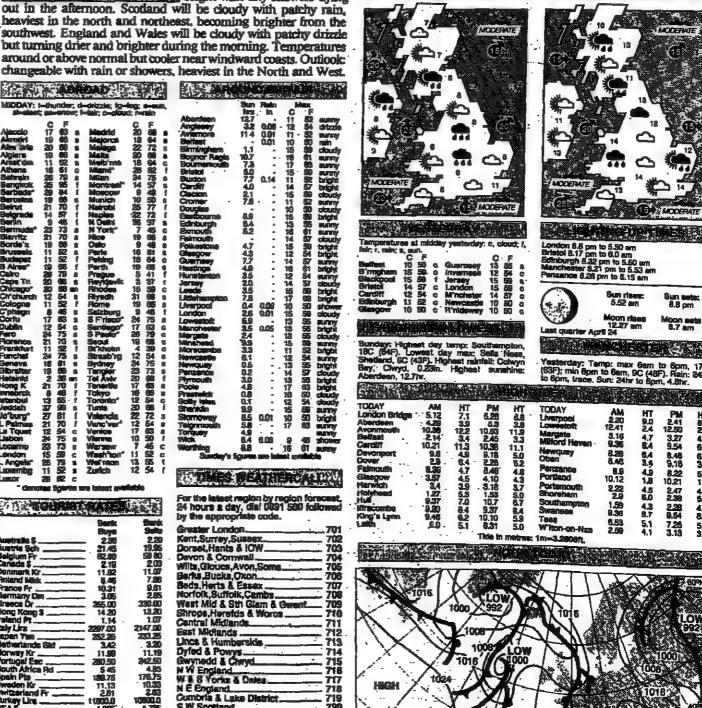
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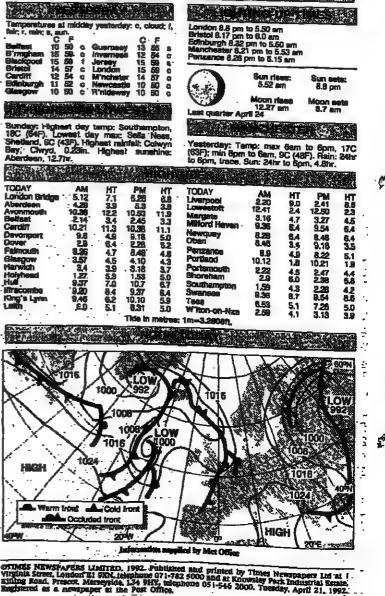
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heaviest in the north and northeast, becoming brighter from the southwest. England and Wales will be cloudy with patchy drizzle but turning drier and brighter during the morning. Temperatures around or above normal but cooler near windward coasts. Outlook: changeable with rain or showers, heaviest in the North and West. auany auany arang 0.05

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BUSINESS NEWS

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**Export** 

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BY DEREK HARRIS

Queen's Awards for export

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winners of awards for techno-

of them for technological achievement. GEC-Marconi won a technology award for applying defence electronics

expertise to satellite television

International Aerospace, of Cranfield, Bedfordshire, won an export award. The com-

pany, headed by James Giles

provides specialist training

Export awards also went to Nissan's United Kingdom

car factory, Peugeot Talbot at

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# James for long haul

vice to a profitable future.

Dan-Air, delays, and an overcrowded Gatwick

likely to be met with cheers, especially from D&N's long-suffering shareholders. For Dan-Air is changing and the man doing the changing is Mr lames is Mr James.

According to the peripatetic, love'em and leave'em lifestyle of the

James: delay cheered

company doctor, tomor-row's results should have seen him long gone. D&N's financial future was secured six months ago when he sought £40 million of new equity to repair the ravages of recession and war and coolly came up with £54 ment to fly off into the shareholders bathed in

admiration. Mr James, however, appears to have caught the flying bug and will tomorrow confirm that he is there for the long hand, not just as chair-man of D&N but also of the airline. The day to day piloting he will pass on to John Olsen, the former Cathay Pacific manager who began work as Dan-Air's chief executive bust week. But Mr James plans to keep in close radio contact.

ust how long a haul it might be should also become appar-ent with losses of £35 million forecast and possibly more given the harsh climate that has coincided with the air-line's shift from charters

to scheduled services. relationship will cost Mr James dear. His £1,000 a day consultancy fee will fall to £90,000 a year, although Mr Olsen's ar-rival should leave him with time to tackle Lep Group, his next and doubtless lucrative reconstruction. But in the mean time all he wants to hear is: "Dan-Air, you are cleared for wouldn't be the same

with a little delay. MATTHEW BOND

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AN AMERICAN com-

pany is today visiting the Ravenscraig steel plant, near Glasgow, which is

due to close in September.

It might consider making

an offer for parts of the site that could save some

hundreds of the plant's

The visit by Nucor, an Indi-

ana steel company, has been organised by Scottish Enter-

prise, formerly the Scottish Development Agency. Scot-

tish Enterprise was entrusted with marketing the site when

British Steel décided in Janu-

It is clear, however, that

there can never be a return to

the days when Ravenscraig employed thousands of

people and was one of Scot-

land's centres of industrial

production. Nucor has only

America's seventh-largest

steel producer, Nucor is

known to want a foothold in

Europe and was approached

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# checks in

ing dong. Dan Air would like to inform share-holders of a delay to the departure of David James, its scheduled ser-

airport — it is hard to imagine a package holi-day without them. Even the groans greeting the delays have an air of inevitability. But the an-James, chairman of Davies & Newman, Dan-Air's parent, has delayed his departure is more



chairman and chief execuheadquarters in Indiana that the move was in its early stages. "We have a team there studying the detail and look-ing at the feasibility of build-

Mr Iverson declined to comment on whether the company would be offered Incentives to set up at Ravenscraig. "We haven't even started talking about that yet," he said, adding that the company had responded to approaches from Scotland. "We

evaluated at the company's headquarters and it would be a month before a firm decision could be reached to establish a liquid steel production works on the site. Nucor's interest will be seized on as a chance to provide a modest number of jobs. If nothing comes of it, only months ago. A team of seven arrives today to look into the by Dakell will be left in Scot-viability of steelmaking using land. Even if the American

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Ravenscraig

BY MARTIN WALLER AND KERRY GILL

craig. It will also visit the linked Hunterston ore termi-

nal, on the Ayrshire coast, during a six-day tour. Details of the trip have

been kept secret and British Steel made Nucor sign a con-fidentiality document. British

Steel is playing down the chances of a last-ditch rescue;

describing Nucor's visit as "a pre-feasibility study". Keith Busse, Nucor's vice-

president and general man-

iger, said: "We are going to

look at the viability and fi-nance of production of liquid

steel. We will be at Ravens-

craig for two full days and will

also visit Hunterston before

departing on Sunday."
He said findings would be

Early days yet for studying incentives

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

THE management at Nucor us," he said. Jeremy Brsy, Corporation, America's sev-MP for Motherwell South, enth-largest steelmaker, yes- first approached Nucor some terday told The Times that the company had not yet discussed any incentives that

jobs at Ravenscraig. Kenneth Iverson, Nucor tive, confirmed from his ing a thin slab casting mill at

months ago. He flew to Indiana in February to look at Nucor's thin-slab casting the only one of its kind in the world. In a report to the SDA in 1991, Arthur D Little, the consultant, said such a mill was one option for Ravenscraig, but added the proviso that the technology involved

was not fully proven. "We have no set timescale on making a decision," said Mr Iverson, " we will just move as rapidly as possible."
But even if Nucor decides to so ahead, some hundreds of

obs will be lost. Mr Iverson says the process it is considering needs less than half the jobs of traditional steel rolling. Any attempt by Nucor to revitalise did not seek it. The Scottish
Development Agency came to
Ravenscraig would be its first
venture outside America. company establishes a works in Scotland, it could not compensate for the jobs that shuts Ravenscraig. Up to 15,500 jobs could be lost in local support industries.

Scottish Enterprise and Lanarkshire development agency are working on regen-eration schemes for the area. In the mid-1970s, Ravenscraig employed 13,000 people. The announcement by British Steel that the steel complex would be closed was followed by a pledge from John Major that the government would do all it could to cushion central Scotland's

Nucor operates several so-called mini-mills, taking on scrap steel and melting it down into slabs that are sent to rolling mills. Such plants, producing about a million tonnes a year, employ at best a few hundred people. Ravenarrais. by contrast.

Ravenscraig, by contrast, has a much longer production line, taking in iron ore and coking coal at Hunterston, producing iron and then steel, which is rolled into strips. Capacity is three million tonnes of steel a year.

British Steel accepts that if Nucer is interested in taking over the site, or buying facili-ties there, the Americans must be given a hearing. If no offer comes, British Steel insists that Ravenscraig must close in September. British Steel has already, with Scot-tish Enterprise, looked at the site being used by other inan environmental audit of what needs to be done to convert it to other uses.



The troubled mill

# Cost of bomb 'less than £1bn'

. By Jonathan Prynn

THE Association of British Insurers said that the IRA bomb explosion in the City of London this month will cost the insurance industry "hundreds of millions" but no more than £1 billion.

It is still too early to give accurate forecasts for the size of the loss while repair work continues at the 45 companies affected by the bomb. However, if the association's forecast is accurate, the cost of blast would exceed the £600 million cost of the 1989 San Francisco earthquake.

ings most affected by the blast are thought to be well spread around the London and international markets. The insurance of the Commercial Union building was led by the Commercial Union. It is not known how much of the risk

the company has retained. Business interruption claims, which make up the bulk of the losses when explosions hit oil refineries or chemical plants, are thought likely to be limited because of the relative case with which office-based companies can The insurance of the build- transfer premises. Tony Bak- able to pay.

er, the insurance association's head of public affairs, said vesterday that "the signs are" that insurance premiums would not be affected by the cost of the blast.

"Premiums have already gone up over the past couple of years and it should not be

necessary to put them up again," Mr Baker said. He described as "wildly innacurate and unsubstantiated guesswork," earlier reports that the cost would be £1.8 billion, and that the af-

fected insurers would be un-



In the cockpit: James Giles runs International Aerospace, which won an award for test pilots' courses

Wall Street hurt

as Nikkei tumbles

FROM JOANNA PITMAN IN TOKYO

The market was depressed

artificially by active index-

linked arbitrage trading in very low volume trading.

Yoshihisa Kitai, an econo-

mist at Long Term Credit Bank, said: "Volatility will remain high as long as the

economy looks depressed, but the 17,000 or 18,000 level is

the bottom end of the mar-

Mr Kitai believes that signs

of economic recovery are al-

ready showing. He says the pessimism over the outlook

for the economy, triggered by

the weakening of the banking

sector, is misplaced. "The

banks are not the engine of

the Japanese economy. The

manufacturing and service companies are," he said.

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DESPITE a flurry of official

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designed to improve senti-

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The Nikkei average fell

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The further gloom from To-kyo combined with profit-tak-

ing to knock Wall Street from

record levels. After three con-

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ter profits, the Dow Jones industrial average dropped 33.88 points by lunchtime, to

3.331.62. Some analysts

have raised the possibility of a

sustained Wall Street drop.

The most significant official statement concerning the

Tokyo stock market came

from Kiichi Miyazawa, the

prime minister, who said

there may be an acceleration

of plans to increase the weight

of equities in the portfolio of the Pension Welfare Corpora-

tion, a public institution that

manages pension funds for small enterprises.

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#### Another cash call likely for tunnel

BY OUR CITY STAFF SHAREHOLDERS in Euro-

tunnel are braced for another rights issue of perhaps £500 million on Friday when the Channel tunnel operator re-ports results for 1991. Europinnel has so far secured

a total of £8.9 billion in funds. In the last trading state-ment in October, the company said it foresaw a peak funding of £8.05 billion in 1996. Since then it has said it would be unable to meet its target opening date of June 15 1993.

This month, Eurotunnel was told by an independent arbitration panel to pay TML, the contractors consortium, £50 million extra a month on top of £25 million in scheduled payments. nel has said it

appeal the order.
The company's consortium
of 223 lending banks had assumed a November 1993 opening date. Some observers believe the delay cuts revenue projections by £200 million.

They are running very tight, said Richard Hannah, transport analyst at UBS Phillips & Drew.

He does not exclude refinancing as an option and expects Eurotunnel to ask areholders for an additional £500 million and banks for another £1 billion to £1.5 billion in loans.

Japanese banks, which provided some 30 per cent of Eurotunnel's loans, will be reluctant to commit fresh funds at a time when they are being squeezed at home, the City believes. Tarmac, one of the main

contractors, announced last week that it had sold some share options in Eurotunnel for a profit of £6 million, fearing a further cash-raising

Another analyst, Mark McVicar at County NatWest, said it was too early to assess how much more would be needed to complete the project. "Until we know the outcome of any settlement with TML, it is extremely difficult to say whether and how much Eurotunnel would

have to borrow," he said.
"The best thing for all parties ... is to get the thing

finished and get cash flowing

in. At the moment it's just a

val pays the next-highest, 6.1

per cent, and in Italy, France,

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# Export drive for the president

THE trade and industry department's revolving door has spun so fast recently that ministers have frequently had their reputations caught in it. Michael Heseltine, who has been through it all before, is apparently seeking to escape the trap by calling himself president of the

Board of Trade. The restoration of this forgotten role gives the appearance of elevating Mr Hesel-tine beyond fellow secretaries of state, though his salary, £63,047, is no different. The former minister for Liverpool's regeneration is

now a roving ambassador

charged with restoring Brit-

ain's might as a trading na-

the post more than a sine- Guarantee Department cure, British industry will be (ECGD) was the final straw. delighted. For more than a British export credit premidecade, exporters have complained about governments whose free market icons ig-nored the brutal realities of overseas competition. For

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main trading nations. A British firm seeking

transport businesses that companies appear most disadvantaged by the credits rerime. So Mr Heseltine's decision to take personal re-

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#### Riva looks to improve with Dace at helm

RIVA, the troubled electronic point-of-sale (epos) equipment supplier, is hoping that better days lie ahead as David Dace, a non-executive director of ICL, takes the helm as non-executive chairman.

Mr Dace, 56, has 35 years' experience in the computer industry and was ICL's technical director until December. He joins Riva as shareholders prepare to vote on refinancing proposals that would leave the company's banks with 17.3 per cent of the enlarged share capital after a debt-for-equity swap.

Talks between Riva and its principal banks began after the company breached bank-ing facilities in the final quarter of 1991 because of adverse trading conditionsthat left it unable to meet interest payments.
The difficulties can be

traced to late 1989 when Riva acquired Hugin Sweda, an Anglo-Swedish manufacturer of Epos equipment, for about £3 million. It was later found that Hugin Sweda had previ-ously undiscovered liabilities of up to £12 million. At the time of the acquisition, Riva owed its principal lenders about £15.5 million. This was cut to £8.5 million.

After losing £697,000 before tax in 1989, the company earned profits of £778,000 in 1990 before the full extent of Hugin's prob-lems surfaced. These were compounded by the recession in Britain, where important retailing customers stopped trading and others cut capital expenditure. As a result, Riva incurred an interim pre-tax loss of £1.07 million in the six months to the end of June. After failing to meet interest payments, Riva secured a standstill agreement as a prelude to refinancing pro-posals, which should result in en annual saving of £800,000 in interest charges.

These proposals, to be con-

sidered by shareholders at an extraordinary meeting next month, include the purchase by Tom Milne, the outgoing chairman, of debts of £659,481 owed by Riva to Scandinavia Bank, Mr Milne will advance a further £197,700 of his own money to Riva. Additionally, the banks and Mr Milne will owed by Riva into convertible preference shares; the banks, meanwhile, will extend £6.25

million of term facilities. The refinancing will dilute the investment of existing shareholders. But the company gives a warning that it is unlikely to be able to continue trading otherwise. Investors, who have seen the value of their shares shrink from 41p to 10p in the past year, will be inclined to agree that there is no other way forward.

Expansion in sight after drastic surgery

# Strong medicine from the doctor nursing Stakis back to health

Martin Waller

outlines the style

of the man who brought Stakis

back from the brink of disaster

FOR Stakis, one of the true basket cases in a leisure sector not short of corporate disasters a couple of years ago, to be talking in terms of expan-

sion again might seem noth-

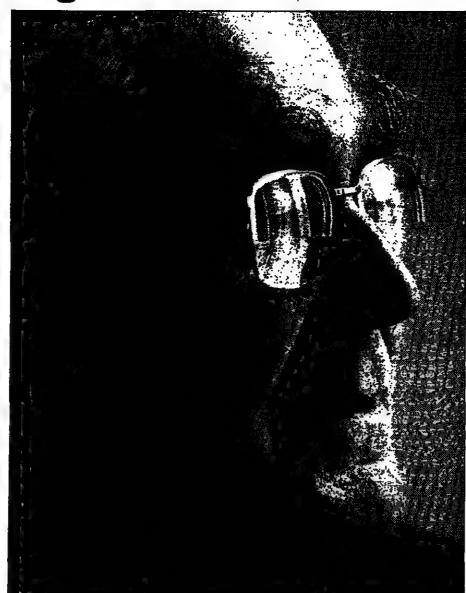
ing short of a miracle.
The architect of that recovery is Sir Lewis Robertson, one of that breed of company doctors unavoidably replacing high-flying entrepreneurs at the City's dining tables of late, and as a canny Scot he is only talking cautious expansion, mind. The group is considering bringing in an outside partner to ensure suffic-ient firepower to develop its

promising nursing homes. So far Stakis has been ap proached by a big player in the American market, which is much more mature than in Britain, attracted by the pot-ential and the 18 sites, mainly in the South East, with ful planning permission lying idle while the group restructures its finances.

Stakis is looking at the Continent and in particular southern countries such as Spain, where attachment to the extended family is weakening but where they are still not as used to the idea of nursing homes as Britain or America

The 18 sites are in the books at the full £35 million purchase price and one of the lew items not written down since Sir Lewis arrived 14 months ago. If developed, at E3 million a site, they would double the number Stakls operates, concentrated at the top end of the market at premium locations in leafy suburbs able to command room rates of £340 a week.

Despite the group's dire financial state, with borrowings fast approaching £200



Architect of recovery: Sir Lewis Robertson, chairman of the Stakis group

million at one stage, Stakis has held out against selling the sites just as the three-yearold nursing homes operation approaches maturity, and the benefits, in the form of a 17 per cent return on capital employed, become apparent. Stakis was the creation of

Sir Reo Stakis, one of Scotland's best-known business-

men, but the company's de-

in his Renfrewshire fastness. cline dates from the policy of diversification initiated a few nursing hopes of a successful restoration of the dynasty. Sir years ago by his son, Andros. Lewis is scathing about the Sir Lewis concedes that one of those diversifications was the mess he inherited and the successful nursing home venneed for Andros' rapid departure, but there is clearly little ture: "I didn't have time to give him a two-year managelove lost between the two men since the ousting of Andros as ment degree.' chief executive, one of the new

He says the first problem was the proliferation of banks that had to be kept sweet

all for a group whose turnover in its heyday never threate; rd £200 million. Like many i sure groups that expanded fast in the 1980s' boom years, funds were taken wherever they could be found, and some of the smaller lenders had been granted covenants quickly triggered when the company declined. "That's not relationship banking that's opportunistic banking. When the wind changes and things get tough, those banks

can turn on you." The next job was to find a chief executive, in the shape of David Michels, former deputy chairman of Hilton UK, who came on board in December. Since Sir Lewis arrived, he estimates 98 per cent of the senior management that had made Stakis so top-heavy have gone, along with their experts. Also gone are a slew of public houses and discotheques and a third of the commercial property. A significant reverse was the failure to sell the casinos for up to £100 million in a market knocked for six by the Gulf war, recession and forced officading of clubs by other groups. "Selling the casinos was a quick fix for our financing problems. If that wasn't available, they are again entirely loved and wanted," says Sir Lewis.

Analysts say Stakis is not set entirely out of the woods. Interim figures due on June 9 will not be pretty, and full-year profits are unlikely. But at least the wilder bid talk has died down, although this may merely reflect a general aver-sion to buying hotels. The Stakis rescue is Sir

Lewis's seventh and, casinos aside, has gone by the book. So well qualified is he to write that book that he heads Postern, a group of company doc-tors put together for rescues. It is a sign of the times that while 1980s' heroes were hit squads of accountants smashing their way into underperforming companies, the cor-porate SWAT teams of the 1990s are more likely to be putting right their damage.

Budget deficit

may scare off foreign investors

he election was a watershed for the market in gilts. Sizable pent-up demand from domestic and foreign investors has been unleashed. Currency risk and fears of temporarily higher interest rates have been replaced by expectations of a firm anti-inflationary policy, including a move to ERM narrow bands.

Monetary union (EMU) remains the main driving force behind European bond markets, forcing conver-gence of bond yields. The key measure for gilts is the spread over Bunds. There has been a dramatic reversal since the election, with the spread of ten-year gilts over ten-year Bunds narrowing from a peak of 203 to 123 basis points. With sterling outlook for gilts is positive and the spread over Bunds rhould narrow further. There is, however, too

prospects for EMU. The economic convergence criteria for EMU are extremely tough and, judging from the recent deterioration in budgetary positions throughout Europe, may take longer to achieve than envisaged. Fur-thermore, the trade-off for monetary union is likely to be continued tight monetary policies, leading to permanently high unemployment throughout Europe. This is already leading to political tensions eisewhere, increasing the likelihood of an ERM realignment and possibly leading to a delay in the monetary union process.

UK political stability should, thus, give gilts a boost relative to other European bond markets, particularly in the run-up to monetary mion. Longer dated gits are likely to benefit from the policy stance resulting from the election. I expect policy to remain tight for some time. This is because there will be a need to reduce inflation and the budget deficit. Govern-ment policy will also be heavily infidenced by the need to move the economic

and political cycles back into synchronisation. After the 1987 election the government relaxed policy prematurely and it will not want to repeat that mistake.

A lesson may be seen from the American economy last year, when a large rebound in consumer confidence after the Gulf war was interpreted as an end to recession. That optimism was misplaced as the factors that caused the recession remained in place, and the American economy weakened further.

Although an early UK rate cut cannot be ruled out, sustained recovery is unlikely until real interest rates are significantly lower. However, latest inflation figures suggest the government will not lower rates aggressively Retail price inflation excluding mortgage interest payannual rate of 5.7 per cent in March. Service sector inflation is particularly high. Furthermore, producer output prices, excluding food, drink and tobacco, rose by a monthly rate of 0.4 per cent in February and March, highlighting the risk that any rebound in the economy could prompt producers and retailers to rebuild profit margins.

The trouble is that unless interest rates fall and there is a steady recovery, the budget deficit is likely to deteriorate. Already, the scale of the fiscal problem points to the likelihood of significant restraint in government spending in this year's autumn statement. Bank of England figures show that last year foreign investors bought a net £5.4 billion of gilts, compared with total net official sales of E9.2 billion.

They are expected to in-crease their holdings this year. If the problem on the budget deficit is not ad-dressed, however, this will overshadow all the present good news for gilts and for-eign demand could dwindle.

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# Domestic orders halt the slide

BY MARTIN WALLER AND NEIL BENNETT

THE London Chamber of 30 per cent of manufacturers ers is set to decline in the reported the first rise in domestic orders in two years and the first positive sign that the recession has begun to lift in the manufacturing sector. But its latest economic tre-

nds survey covering more than 250 companies and conducted before the general election, counterbalances this optimism with an unexpected setback for service sector businesses and output falling again, albeit at a slower rate, for the eighth consecutive MARTIN BARROW Quarter. The Chamber says orders in the first quarter, but 38 per cent saw a rise. Surprisingly, 34 per cent of service businesses saw a fall in business and just 27 per cent

an increase. "The setback in the service sector could be explained by uncertainties caused by the general election, when businesses and consumers postponed vital decisions," said Jacqueline Ginnane, chief economist at the LCCI. The Chamber says the rate at which businesses lay off work-

chairman's first acts. Andros

☐ According to a report by Verdict, the market research group, consumers have become more sophisticated in their use of credit. Non-mortgage credit, however, continues to rise, although growth has fallen sharply. In the first quarter of 1989 loans rose £1.66 billion. In the last three months of 1991 growth was £67 million\_ Derdict on how Britain

pays (£695), from Verdict Research 112 High Holborn,

REPORTING THIS WEEK

#### **Edinburgh urges Lang** to back Eurofed claim

By Jonathan Prynn

IAN Lang, Secretary of State for Scotland, is being urged to support a campaign to bring the proposed European Central Bank, or Eurofed, to Edinburgh.

The Scottish capital, London and Manchester are likely to put in bids, but they face competition from a range of European financial centres including Paris, Lyons, Frankfurt, Luxembourg and Amsterdam.

The "Eurofed for Scotland" campaign is being led by a

steering group made up of local government and business representatives.

James Scott, the executive director of Scottish Financial Enterprise, a body representing Scotland's financial sector, has written to Mr Lang asking him to advance Edinburgh's case "with vigour" within the government

The decision on the Eurofed is unlikely to be made until next year, but the UK contenders are thought to stand little chance.

ment of nausea.

erage recovered from its worst level of 3,340, to be 21 points off at 3,345 at mid session. "I see small sellers out there, but no one is being overly aggressive," said Ron Doran, head of institutional trading at CL King and Associates. Some sell programmes at the open-

ing drove the market lower,

The Dow Jones industrial av-

he said. "The market looks a little tired, but the recycling of money from maturing bank certificates of deposit will give us some stabilisation." he

☐Tokyo — The Nikkei index clung to the 17,000 level on some last-minute buying, but by the close had lost 509.33 points at 17,071.36.

# facing competition from Losec, which is made by Sweden's Astra, as well as from Glaxo's best-selling Zantac. The new drugs in-clude Seroxat, an anti-depres-sant that already has more than 10 per cent of British anti-depressant sales, as well as Kytril, which is thought to have considerable potential and is a competitor for Glaxo's Zofran in the treatment of nausea. Interime: Albert Fisher Group, British Assets Trust, British Empire Securities and General Trust, Data General Corpn, Investors Capital Trust, Low (Wm) & Company. Prestwick Holdings, Save and Prosper Linked Investment Trust, Smith-Kline Beecham (first quarter), Titon Holdings, VTR. Finals: Austin Reed Group, Etam, Grampian Television, Hartons Group, Huntleigh Technology, International Business Communications (Holdings), Jerome (S) & Sons (Holdings), Jerome (S) & Sons (Holdings), Jerome (S) & Sons (Holdings).

Goldman Sachs is in the process of by

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# Downturn in US knocks profits at Albert Fisher

THE downturn in the food sector in America is expected to take its toll on the first-half profits at Albert Fisher, the distributor of fresh fruit and vegetables, which is chaired by Tony Millar. The group. which reports on Thursday, is expected to announce a 17 per cent decline in pre-tax profits to £37.5 million, ac-

However, the downturn in the full-year profits should be contained to nearer 6 per cent as the group's business is seasonally biased towards the second half. County predicts a 12 per cent drop in interim earnings per share to 5p TOMORROW (4.4p), although an increased dividend of 1.85p (1.75p) is also forecast. Analysts will be

portant American markets. TODAY

looking for any signs of

recovery in the group's im-

cording to County NatWest. Market forecasts range from

£37 million to £40.5 million.

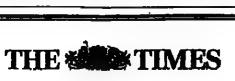
EIS Group, the specialist engineer, is expected to buck the trend in the engineering sector by unveiling a small advance in annual pre-tax profits to between £14.5 mil-lion and £15 million, against £13.5 million last time. Greenacre Group, the

nursing homes owner that is quoted on the Unlisted Securities Market, will report an advance in final pre-tax profits to £950,000, against £540,000 last time, according to Panmure Gordon, the

Interims: Consolidated Murchison, Eisburg Gold Mining, Joel (H J) Gold Mining, Keystone Investment Company, Randfontein Estates Gold Mining Co. Witwatersrand Ltd, Western Areas Gold Mining. Finals: ES Group, Greenacre Group, Ropner, Venturi Investment Trust.

The recovery is expected to continue at Ross Group, the consumer electronics and specialist packaging group. Albert E Sharp believes that final pre-tax profits will climb to £1.65 million, against £989,000 last time.

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International, English National Investment Company. Exmoor Oual Investment Trust, Fleming Universal Investment Trust, Freeman Group, Havelock Europa, Helene, Kingston Oil & Gas, Moss Bros Group, Reece, Ross Group, Tharsis, TVS Entertainment, Wace Group, Walker Greenbank. Economic statistics: British Chambers of Commerce quarterly economic survey (first quarterly economic survey) chambers of Commerce quar-terly economic survey (first quar-ter); index of production and construction for Wales (fourth quarter); major British banking groups' monthly statements (March); provisional estimates of monetary aggregates (March).

THURSDAY Etam, the women's fashion retailer that last year fought off a £121 million bid from the South African-controlled Oceana Investment Corpora-

tion, will weather the reces-

sion better than many of the

other fashion retailers in the

high street, UBS Phillips &

pre-tax profits of EII million. against £9.5 million last time. Market forecasts range from £11 million to £13 million. Earnings per share are expected to rise to 10.1p (8.4p), while an increased dividend of 7p (5.85p) is

predicted. Austin Reed Group, the upmarket clothing retailer and manufacturer, has felt the effects of the extremely difficult conditions on both sides of the Atlantic. Final pre-tax profits are expected to decline to about £2.2 million. against £3.1 million last time, according to County Nat-West. Earnings per share are likely to fall to 5.4p (8.7p).

while a reduced dividend of

7p (9.5p) is predicted.

ticals and consumer products group where Robert Bauman is the chief executive, is expected to see its first-quarter pre-tax profits advance to £285 million, against £253 million last time, according to UBS Phillips & Drew. Market forecasts range from £275 million to £286 million.

Anglo-American pharmaceu-

Analysts have forecast a first quarterly dividend of between 4.1p and 4.2p a share, against 3.75p.
The full-year taxable profits are seen rising to about £1.14

billion, against £1 billion in 1991. News is awaited on the progress of some of the group's new drugs that will eventually help to replace earnings from Tagamet, the group's well established anti-

FRIDAY Kleinwort Benson expects Central Independent Television, the Midlands television contractor that kept its franchise last October with a £2,000 bid, to report final pre-tax profits of £19 million. against £19.2 million last

time.

Interims: Five Oaks Investments, McKechnie. Finals: Acom Computer Group, Berry Starquest. Certiral Independent Television, Clayton, Son & Co (Holdings), Downlebrae Holdings, Holt (Joseph), Jourdan (Thomas), Lamont Holdings; Ramco Oll Services, Reed Executive, Slingsby (H.C.). Economic statistics: Belance of payments; current account and payments; current account and overseas trade figures (March); retail sales (March — provisional).

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nvestors and fund managers return from the

Easter break this morning wondering whether

L John Major's surprise election victory has kick-

started a new spring and summer for shares or

whether the stock market has simply staged an

instant adjustment, leaving those who missed the

Since election day dawned, share prices have

risen an average 10 per cent. Much of that bounce

was emotional, a mixture of greater confidence in

economic recovery, the removal of uncertainty that

led buyers to hold back their cash - and no tax

increase for affluent savers. There have been other

one-off factors, such as the unwinding of

precautionary sales of share futures and assumed

relief to sensitive sectors such as water, where some

short-term interest rates, should the Conservatives

have lost power, was replaced by hopes of a small cut

as the pound gained an average 1.7 per cent on the foreign exchanges. Wall Street, where prices rose 6

per cent to all-time records before some profit-

taking, also influenced London, but the impact

Profit-taking can be expected in some of the

politically sensitive index stocks but the short-term

recovery in London has surely not yet fully spent its course. In particular, it will widen into smaller

company shares. Even before Easter, there were

isolated signs that economic confidence could quickly help spending. For example, HPI, the

vehicle information group, detected a small but

instant rise in interest in second-hand cars. On

momentum alone, there is therefore every reason for

the FT-SE index to retake fairly soon the 2,680 peak

of last September, before disappointment at the

non-appearance of recovery set off the slide, later

borrowing requirement to an expected £28 billion in

1992-3 and more in 1993-4, some £8 billion a year

In 1991, according to figures released on

Thursday, institutional investors drew in £42 billion,

spent £22 billion on UK company securities,

overwhelmingly shares, but only £2.5 billion on gilt-

edged. At the same time, they ran net liquidity down

by £5 billion, virtually to rock bottom, before

rebuilding it temporarily before the election. If they

spent anything like as much on shares this year as

last, while being called on for perhaps £15 billion-

£20 billion to fund the government, there would

need to be a speciacular retreat from overseas

investment or an unlikely bank-financed takeover

Shortage of institutional funds need not curb

share price rises. There is, however, little else to

chase them far. The economic upturn is still likely to

be leisurely, leaving profits recovering modestly, except in the hard-hit financial sector, with no boost

from inflation or a sliding pound. Shares will

probably sell at an average 14.2 times earnings to be announced next spring, with no dramatic

Dividends are thinly covered and should lag

behind profits in the recovery. Yet the average

dividend yield of 4.75 per cent offers little premium

over index-linked gilt-edged and any benefit from

lower short-term interest rates will be small. Private

investors should not be put off buying long-term at

current prices. Confidence, though vulnerable to

shocks, could propel the FT-SE index through

2,700. At the 3,000 forecast by some brokers for later this year, it would definitely be a sell.

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since then. The length and depth of the

recession has pushed the government's

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# THE TIMES CITY DIARY

#### KB enclave on the Thames SOMETHING of a Klein-

wort Benson enclave is being established in the Thames-side offices of Swiss Bank Corporation. Last week, KB's second most senior (and profitable) market-maker, Chris Salter, resigned to join the Swiss group, where he will find himself working alongside lain Rugheimer. Rugheimer, previously a general salesman and, at times, a specialist in the healthcare sector with KB, started work at SBC six weeks ago. At SBC he has moved on to the primary and syndicated loans desk. Their number will be boosted by the arrival of mar-ket-makers Tim Medland and Keith Humphries, from Goldman Sachs. They too once worked for KB. Meanwhile SBC, which is known to be keen to expand its activity in the options market, since it is in the process of buying and integrating O'Connor, the leading American options house, is also to expand its market making capacity in FT-SE100 stocks, so that prices in all 100 stocks are on

Chemin de feuilles BRITISH Rail's determination to beat off the threat of airline competition on its new Channel tunnel express has been raising eyebrows within the British Airline Pilots Association. BR is offering its drivers salaries of £24,000. the sort of sum many pilots get only after 11 years' service. BR explains that it is prepared to invest in the bestquality drivers. Peter Whittaker, personnel director, adds that the remuneration packCAWARDS FOR \_ INDUSTRY

ages being offered by Europe-

an Passenger Services, the

BR offshoot running the Trans-Manche shuttle, set a precedent. In the past, drivers a field day filling the market have received overtime for gap. extra hours and miles, a practice criticised on safety grounds. Trans-Manche drivers will get an all-in-one package. There is no overtime and no premium for weekends or extra mileage," Whittaker says. In addition, drivers will be expected to speak French and understand foreign rail systems, a policy that holds out the tantalising prospect of fellow Europeans being equally bemused by BR drivers' notorious bon mots to passengers. Their French needn't be GCSE level," Whittaker admits, "but they will be expected to welcome passengers aboard and wish them a smooth journey." He makes no reference to the need for a French translation of that

#### "leaves on the line".

Water woes WHILE BSN, the leading French food manufacturer. said that its Evian source will be operating at maximum capacity by the year 2000, its

other oft-used BR phrase -

rival Perrier, which Nestle has just fought tooth-and-nail to acquire, has never admitted that it faces similar problems. The day when the Perrier source can yield no more may, however, be closer than so far believed, according to Sylvain Massot, drinks industry analyst at Morgan Stanlev. The benzene scare relieved pressure on source Perrier, Massot says, but if the market grows at its expected 5 per cent over the next ten years, Perrier could be up to capaciabout 1.5 billion litres a year, at about the same time as Evian's output flattens out. Perrier's rivals will then have

Fast-let Wylic ANDREW Fleming-Williams, chief of Winterthur Insurance (UK), whom last week we reported searching for new premises, has not only now found new offices but has already moved in. His company was rendered homeless by the bomb which devastated the Commercial Union Insurance tower in which it was located. Fleming-Williams had to cut short a family skiing holiday in Switzerland to sort out the problem. Now, with the help of Hexell Wylie, the City estate agent that specialises in the insurance sector. (and which is enjoying a boom in business, courtesy of the IRA), he is happily installed in the Sun Alliance building in Fenchurch Street. He saw the premises on Tuesday, made an offer on Wednesday, it was accepted on Thursday

CAROL LEONARD

and he moved in on Samr

#### Decisive action needed or Lloyd's will find its problems insoluble From R. C. Dutton-Forshaw Sir, It is ironic that on Good Time is running out, and

Friday, of all days, the shat-tering news should be announced that many thousands of Lloyd's names will be fac-

ing personal ruin.
They must feel doubly betrayed. Betrayed by Lloyd's, in which they put their trust, and a duty of care which sadly appears to be completely lacking. Betrayed by their mem-bers' agents, who also must carry a responsibility for plac-ing them on syndicates which were manifestly unsound.

Lloyd's may have felt relieved at the news that it is now able to draw down its unfortunate names' cash in order to meet totally unprecedented calls. By so doing, not only will it have destroyed many of its names, but at the

From Mr Stephen Schick

Sir, As an external member of

Lloyd's, I hope that after the

recent judgment in the High

Court (Names fail to stop

assets seizure, April 17) my

fellow names will now accept

the reality that they are legally

obliged to settle their com-

Time to settle commercial debts misled into thinking these can be avoided and are merely spending more of their limited resources on membership fees of "action groups".

unless Lloyd's is prepared to

attempt an alternative sol-

ution to this dreadful loss

situation, that it must realise

could only mostly be due to

worse, there will be no future.

escaped comparatively un-

scathed, will leave in droves,

and certainly no one in their senses would wish to join

Decisive action is urgently

required, or Lloyd's will short-

ly find its problems insoluble.

R. C. DUTTON-FORSHAW,

Pallingham Lock Farm.

Yours faithfully.

Pulborough,

Names, who to date have

solicitors' fees and legal expenses. Yours faithfully, STEPHEN SCHICK, Garden Flat, Too many names are being 34 Tite Street, SW3.

#### Stamp duty charged on notional VAT

From Mr Maurice Nadeem

mercial debts.

Sir, There is an even better example than that quoted by Mr Good (Business Letters, April 15) of tax on a tax. Now that VAT can be charged on commercial rents, the Revenue demand stamp duty calculated not on the rent, but on the total of the rent and the

VAT. Even if the landlord has not elected to charge VAT, stamp duty has to be paid on the notional VAT that he could have charged! They say that this is justified by a decision of the European Court!

Yours faithfully, M. NADEEM 33 New Cavendish Street, W1.

COLUMN NEW TEXT

# Backward glance could benefit Russia's search for secure future

Colin Narbrough

suggests the former

Soviet republics should remember an earlier

Keynesian attempt to stabilise the rouble

n Moscow, the Congress of People's Dep. es has devoted an inordinate amount of time to discussing whether the Russian Federation should restore the country's historic, pre-Bolshevik name - Russia. Given the gargantuan task the former Soviet Union faces on the political and economic fronts, dwelling so long on a name seems a terrible waste of time.

Yet to focus on Russia's past can be a fruitful exercise, a glance backwards that provides valuable point-

ers to the future. As Boris Yeltsin, the Russian president, goads his reluctant compatriates towards the free market, it becomes ever more obvious that the rouble, still the official currency of all former Soviet republics, is failing to provide the reliable store of value and convertibility a market economy requires. Without faith in the rouble, other currencies will gain firmer hold. Citizens of the former Soviet Union are already believed to hold \$10 billion in foreign currency. The Group of Seven agreed this month to give Russia \$6 billion for a rouble stabilisation fund. The black holes in the rouble zone economies suggest, however, that setting a target level for the currency will be a

leap in the dark. Michel Camdessus, managing director of the International Monetary Fund, last week drew attention to the substantial additional needs of the other republics, whose quest for sound money will, in some cases, take them out of the rouble fold, causing a whole range of separate difficulties. Given their close and illbalanced economic ties with Russia, and their lack of international competitiveness, the purely economic case for separate currencies is not strong. Ukraine and the three Baltic states nevertheless intend to issue their own currencies this year.

Russia's fast-track economic reformers ignore the fact that our own transition has been a long march rather than a quick dash. Britain took 35 years after the second world war to achieve full currency convertibility for current account and capital transactions. Ironically, some tried to redirect attention to ideas that have been tried and tested in Russia. Among those delving into the past are Jacques Attall, president of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Paul Volcker, former chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, Sir Alan Waiters, Margaret Thatcher's former economics guru, and Michael Foot, head of the Bank of England's

M Attail's reading is that gold,

Father of the 'British rouble': Lord Keynes's theories support the argument for currency boards

alongside oil and gas, is one of the real currencies left in a Russia faced with spiralling inflation and the threat of systemic collapse. Official Rossian reserves may be down to 240 tonnes, but there is production potential. M Attali sees scope to use gold and hydrocarbons as a stan-dard of value, in addition to their direct role in economic development. The creation of a "gold board", issuing currency backed by the noble metal, is one idea he has floated. He recalls that Lenin's "new economic policy" in the early twenties was accompanied by the issue of a parallel currency, the chervonetz, equal to 7.74 grammes of gold. Though not redeemable at a fixed rate for gold, the currency was nominally backed by the government's gold reserves. Monetary reform, and encouragement of free market activity, gave the Soviet Union its fastest period of growth. Since the

Soviet currency has been inconvertible at home and abroad. Mr Voicker, one of the few central bankers who has been in charge of the monetary policy of a country anywhere near the size of the former Soviet Union, is firmly opposed to

the central bank being used as a

chervonetz was abandoned for for-

eign transactions in 1928, the

means of achieving convertibility. Markets, he points out, developed well before central banks. If the crumbling Soviet empire were to rely on central banks, they might prove a barrier to change, Mr Volcker fears.

ver ready to challenge orthodoxy, Sir Alan Walters has championed the idea that former Soviet republies should end their fixation with national central banks. Although fundamentally opposed to Britain relinquishing monetary sovereignty, he believes that currency boards, which are simply bodies issuing a currency backed against another hard currency, would serve the troubled republics better than central banks. In support of his case, Sir Alan, a monetarist, has reached back to 1918 and to Lord Keynes, father of the "British rouble".

This convertible currency was introduced by the British forces occupying northern Russia only 11 weeks after the concept was born at the Treasury in London. Civil war and a worthless local currency prompted the British to introduce a currency board, which issued surcharged rouble notes 75 per cent backed by sterling. Hailed as an immediate success by the military authorities, it rekindled commercial activity and enabled the army to buy and sell normally. Good money soon drove out the bad. However, the experiment was to be short-lived. The system was abandoned when

the British withdrew in 1919. The currency board was far from abandoned. Indeed, it continued to thrive across the British empire. While many former colonies insisted on establishing their own central banks upon independence, Hong Kong, one of the world's most vibrant economies, still employs the board system, operated there by private banks. Under such systems, there is no need for a central bank. The "board" simply issues notes and coins convertible into a foreign reserve currency at a fixed rate. The board's reserves are high-quality ex-ternal assets, typically interest-bear-ing securities denominated in a reserve currency. The British rouble scheme used Russian timber, resources for part of its backing, the British army being on the spot to

secure the timber. Key to the board system is that it issues domestic currency only to the extent that it is covered by reserves. Most important for countries dogged by economic uncertainty, the

board has no discretion over monetary policy. It cannot devalue or revalue the currency. Market forces determine the money supply. The board system generates income from its interest-bearing reserves. Its only outgoing is maintaining the circulation of banknotes and coins. As the British found in northern Russia, instant convertible currency can cause social tension because people will pursue the good currency in preference to the old money.

oubts remain about how appropriate a currency the needs and aspirations of the former Soviet Union. In a paper for the Royal Institute of International Affairs, Mr Foot identifies two difficulties in the board approach. The first is where the reserve assets will be found. Russia is resource-rich, but the other republics are unlikely to have access to sufficient reserves without extensive

The second is that the domestic money supply may need to grow quickly in the early phases of reform. specially when prices are liberalised. A currency board, Mr Foot argues, is designed to prevent such rapid growth. Only by trying to establish from the outset the path of money supply for several years ahead would a board be able to overcome this problem, he believes. That would be difficult, and it would highlight the true scale of the funds needed to back a board system. Other critics of the concept lear it could not work as long as the supply of the old national currency exceed ed the growth of potential output.

The phenomenal economic growth of Hong Kong seems to counter the argument that currency board systems prevent an economy expanding. The 60 countries that have operated currency boards were rewarded with success. Capital and current account transactions presented few problems, inflation was kept as low as in the leading economies with which their currencies were linked, and foreign institutions readily established themselves in the environment of monetary safety that was created. The availability of reserve assets should not prove an insurmountable obstacle, either. Gold-swaps, where currency is advanced against gold reserves, and loans tied to known gold resources, should help solve Russia's problem. The Baltic states have had most of their prewar gold reserves returned from the West. Loans linked to other commodities, plus western aid, could fill the gaps in reserve assets.

To foster credibility of the currency boards in the initial phase, it would be sensible to base them outside the former Soviet Union. beyond the reach of interfering politicians. Basle, Swiss home of the Bank for International Settlements. would be a good location. Even more persuasive would be London, because our imperial past has made the Bank of England the international repository of expertise on currency boards.

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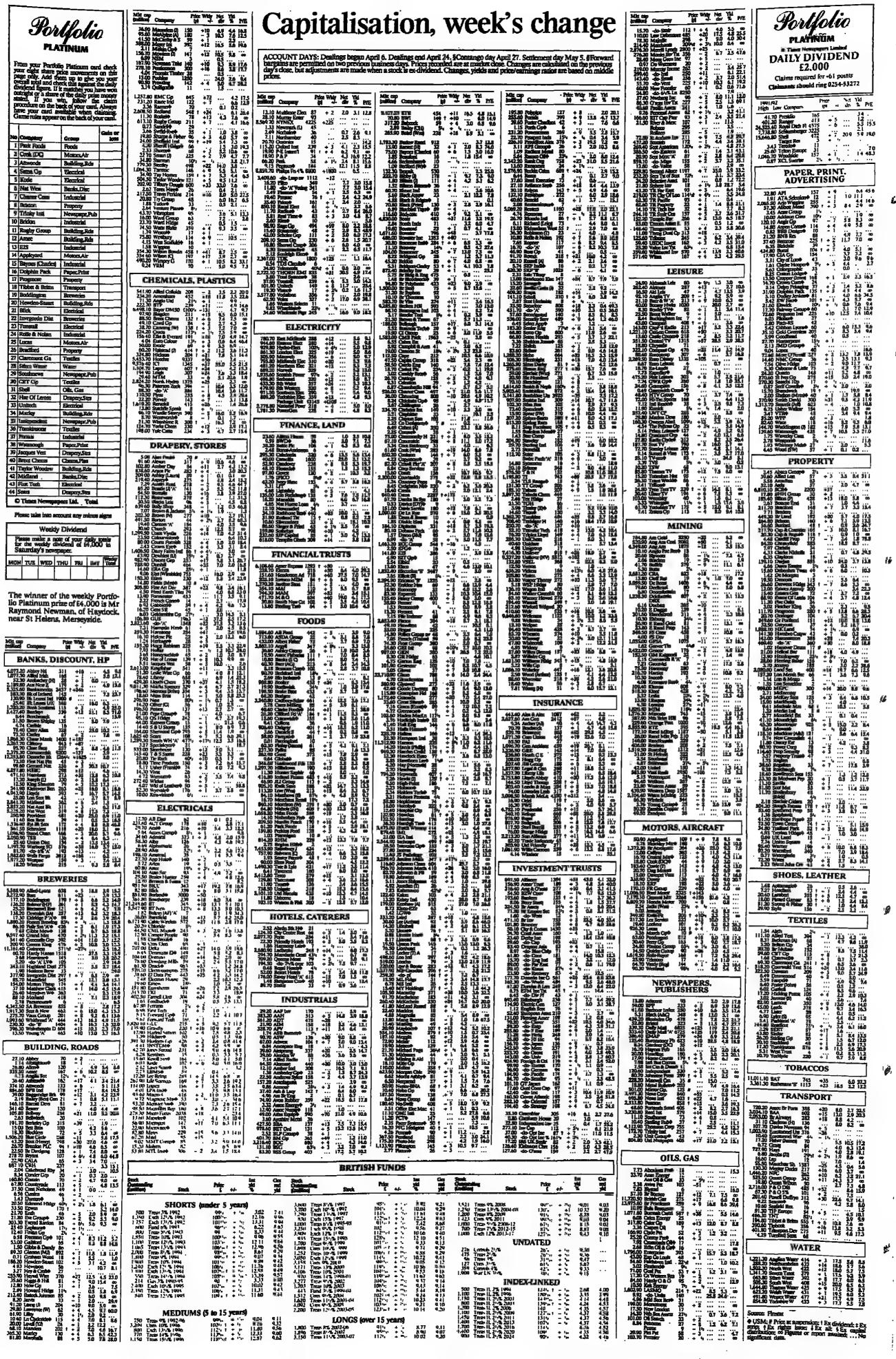
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# **QUEEN'S AWARDS**

# Broadening the excellence field

A new environment award will join the Queen's Awards for industrial achievement in technology and export, Derek Harris reports

The 26-year-old Queen's Awards for export and technological achievement are about to go through their biggest change since 1976, the year the awards were The total number of Queen's

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Awards given for 1992 was 165, above the general level of the last decade and ahead of last year's 158. Applications for the 1992 awards were the highest for 13 years. There was a record number of 127 awards for export achievement as British business, from manufacturers big and small to universities and other services, strove to beat the recession by maximising sales abroad. Thirty eight companies secured an award for technological achievement. There were 1,565 applicants for this year's awards, a 37 per cent

A further award is now to be introduced: the Queen's Award for environmental achievement. A chuch of companies favoured this year by the Queen's Awards office have environmental aspects to their work and at least four would have received such an award, had one been on offer. This has encouraged the office to believe that the new environmental award should readily attract attention.

The new environmental trophy was first signalled in January by the prime minister. It builds on the pioneering work of the Royal Society of Arts with its Better Environment awards for industry.

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The aim of the new Queen's Award is to recognise and encourage product and process development which will being important environmental benefits. Companies will have to show that the initiatives are commercially suc-cessful. The first winners will be announced in April next year, along with those securing export and technology awards.

It is not uncommon for a few

companies to secure both an export and technology award in the same year. Last year, three companies scored a double, but in the 1992 awards nobody managed this. The prospect of a company landing a treble is remote, although it is theoretically possible. However, a successful product or process with environmental impact could quite likely lead to an export award. It is already a familiar pattern for those picking up technology awards, as this year's list demonstrates.

The most prolific winners of awards over the years have been ICI and GBC, through the achievements of their many subsidiaries. GPT Payphone Systems, jointly owned by Britain's General Electric Company (GEC) and Germany's Siemens, secured a technology award last year, and a prophy this year for exporting to more than 60 telephone operators in nearly 50 countries. It manufactures intelligent payphones, phonecards, mangement systems and cashless

calling systems.

ICI's Katalco Pulaspec Purification Processes subsidiary has also



Arbiter of export and technological excellence in industry. John Smith, secretary of the Queen's Awards office, displays the trophies

awards, the others being for techno-logical achievement in the pharmacertical and agrochemical fields.

GEC's Marconi Electronics this year has scooped a technology award as part of its burgeoning diversification from mainstream defence-related programmes.

The verdict of the Queen's Awards office on the 1992 applica-

tions was that quality was been high, especially among the export-ers. What helped boost the applica-tions was a mailshot which brought a 3 per cent response high for this type of promotion. The tech-

nique may be used again.

Strong export securis included high technology, electronics, transport and textiles. Among the cisth-

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picked up an export award, after withing on technological merits last year. This is one of three ICI as year. The legendary oiled-conton are the l ers of the legendary oiled-cotton "Barbour" country clothing.

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There was a strong automotive showing, including the Rover group (a technology award for its K-series engine); Nissan's UK subsidiary (it exports to 29 countries, including Japan); Perigeot Talbot (the Little Countries). (the UK arm of Prance's Peugeot and a strong exporter); and the Cosworth ligh-performance engine division of Vickers (the engines of which have figured in motor racing, as well as equipping transference mad core for each part of the engine of t top-of-the-range road cars for several manufacturers).

Aerospace awards involved companies such as British Aerospace (for commercial aircraft exports) and Rolls-Royce, with its battle to inauttain a key market share of tough aircraft engine markets. Another was International Aerospace, a Bedfordshire-based company which trains pilots and flight engineers in advanced techniques so that they can become test pilots

or flight-test engineers.

Agriculture had a bigger showing than usual, with four awards involving sector companies.

Smaller businesses account for a

big swathe of the awards, with 68 per cent of export trophies going to companies with fewer than 200 employees. Smaller companies also account for 55 per cent of those securing technology awards.

Overall, 65 per cent of awards were taken up by smaller businesses, down a little on last year's

Invisible earnings by service pro-viders accounted for 18 per cent of the export winners, a bigger pro-

# Head of a growing class

John Smith is in

charge of the

awards' expansion

JOHN SMITH, a career civil servant with 16 years of service at the trade and industry department, took over a year ago as secretary of the Queen's Award Office, writes

Derek Harris.

Mr Smith, 50, was formerly at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, with stints abroad. At the trade and industry department, he has been concerned mostly with commercial relations and export promotion, notably in west and north Africa and in Europe, especially in the EFTA (European Free Trade Association) countries.

As the secretary, Mr Smith presides over a new expansion of the awards. A third one will be added later this year for com-panies demonstrably improving environmental quality through manufactures or processes which have shown themselves to be

#### Material advantage

R employ, the employer of disabled workers, has tre-bled its knitwear overseas earnings in four years as it has widened its markets for military clothing and diversified into fashion, writes Derek Harris.

French gendarmes sport the sweaters (shown right) and American marines the ceremonial scarves produced by Remploy's knitwear division head-quartered in Alfreton, Derby-shire. The Japanese can buy the goods on mail order. A second collection of fashion knitwear, for which Remploy has teamed up with couturier Hardy Amies, will be launched this autumn.



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# East and West in harmony

Rodney Hobson

reports on an

Anglo-Japanese joint venture

ubsidiaries set up in the United Kingdom by foreign companies, particularly by the Japanese and Americans, are now winning awards for exports.

Kemble & Company is a

joint venture between the Yamaha Corporation of Japan, the world's largest musical instrument manufacturers, and the Kemble family, who have been manufacturing high-quality acoustic planes since 1911. The combined export sales of the Kemble and Yamaha brands has more than doubled over the past three years to nearly £5 million in 1991.

Kemble started manufacturing the first Yamaha model in 1987. After the success of the pilot project, Yamaha, seeking a European manufacturing partner ahead of the single market, chose Kemble in 1988 to be its European manufacturing base for up-right pianos. At the same time Yamaha invested in Kemble to increase capacity and to introduce the latest machinery and computer-based production control.

The partnership, based in Milton Keynes, flourished as a result of high-quality British craftmanship and Yamaha knowhow in production tech-

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award, while in another first an Isle of Man business has

won a similar trophy (writes

RGC Jenkins & Co, whose

headquarters are at Caxton

Street, London, is a patent and trademark specialist. Two thirds of its income comes

from overseas clients. Its best

markets are Japan, the United

States, Canada, Europe, Aus-

tralasia and South Korea.

Earnings abroad have more

The Isle of Man's trophy-

company, Clerical Medical In-

established on the island in

1987, as the international arm

of the 168-year-old Clerical.

Medical and General Life

Assurance Society, which is based in Bristol and has

The Isle of Man operation

increased net overseas earn-

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than doubled in three years.

agent has won an export



Making music: Kemble & Co's joint managing directors, Brian Kemble and Shinya Nakamichi, are mixing British craft and Yamaha knowhow

nology, along with strong support from Yamaha's European distribution companies. Yamazaki Machinery UK makes computerised machine tools as a subsidiary of Yamazaki Mazak of Japan. It was established as a sales unit in 1981 and opened a factory at Worcester in 1987. Kyushu Matsushita Electric (UK) has made great strides

ings by more than five times in

The only advertising com-

pany to pick up an award for

exports is Aegis Group, the

holding company for the world's largest group of media

specialists. One contract is for

Walt Disney's media planning

every European market. Aegis

is quoted on the stock ex-changes of London, New York

Export earnings, which have more than doubled over

three years and now account

for 95 per cent of Aegis's

income, arise through Carat,

its first three years.

since starting business in 1986 in Newport, Gwent. It makes printers, typewriters and telephones, exporting mainly to the European Com-munity and the United States. Helena Laboratories was established in 1984 as a sales company for the products of its

American parent. In 1986, from a trading estate in Gates

head, Tyne and Wear, it

its main operating division. Carat employs 1,700 people in more than 50 offices spread

Among other services sector

companies netting export awards is More Fisher Brown.

the second firm of solicitors

ever to do so. The company,

London, is a small partnership set up in 1988 specialising in

servicing the, international marine and insurance indus-

58 countries and have trebled

over three years, now account-

ing for 80 per cent of turnover.

including arbitration work. Earnings spring from

across 18 countries.

Winning solicitors: Nick Fisher (front) and Justin More

diagnostic kits for testing blood for a variety of condi-tions, together with the laborainstruments for conducting the tests. The British company has built up an export trade in British prod-ucts to Europe, Africa, India, the Middle East and the Pacific region. Overseas sales

Another company with an American parent is Hewitt-Robins International, a subsidiary of Process Technology bured in North Carolina. The British end, in Glasgow, makes equipment for quarries, mines, steelworks and

International Rectifier, another subsidiary of a United States company, has been

trading since 1958 and makes power conductors for the elec-tricity industry. New markets are being developed in eastern

Europe.
Little Rock, Arkansas, is the home of Orbit Valve, whose British subsidiary is at Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, Since 1973 it has been designing and making valves for the or and gas industries.

### account for half the output. Winners clean up

A surge in the 1992 awards of trophy winners with products which have a strong environmental impact includes a number of firms in the energy business (writes Derek Harris). Among them is Vikoma International, based on the Isle of Wight, which won an award for export achievement. Since its birth 20 years ago.

when the problems of oil pollution at sea were first emerging, Vikoma has pro-pelled itself to world prominence in making equipment to deal with oil pollution. Overseas sales account for 80 per cent of Vikoma's production. It makes booms and skimming devices which have been used in many big disasters, including the Exxon Valder incident in Alaska in 1989 oilfields in the Gulf war.

It has two manufacturing sites, at Cowes and at Wallasey on Merseyside. It employs about 150 and has grown steadily by 20 per cent a year in recent years.

There are at least seven award-winners with products



Going green: new award

having a direct environmental impact and others with an environmental aspect — for example, Rover's technology award-winning engine range with low emissions. The increasing prominence of envithe environmental Oueen's Awards, to be unveiled next

A joint technology award has gone to the British Gas rch and technology division in Birmingham and Hotwork Development of West Yorkshire. Dewsbury,

was bought out by its management in 1988. The pair won a trophy for developing a regen-erative borner system which can be used on all sizes of fuelfired furnaces. It is especially useful for systems burning natural gas and oil as fuels. Its makers say it is cheap and easy savings of up to 65 per cent, paying for itself within a year. Original research at British Gas was followed by manufac-turing at Hotwork. In three iles rose to £4.5 million.

a third of them abroad. Another technology trophy in the energy sector went to Babcock Energy, of Renfrew, Strathclyde, for a burner systern that reduces nitrous oxide emissions at coal-fired power 55 per cent. The company's initiative has already won it an environmental award from the Engineering Council.

An export award has gone to Warwick International of Mostyn, Clwyd, which makes additives to improve the efficiency of low-temperature detergent powders and to boost the performance of detergents that are environmentally-friendly because they do not use phosphates. Since it last won an export award in 1988, Warwick has more than doubled its exports, which go to more than 40 countries

# Car makers on the right track

Foreign-owned manufacturers are honoured for export achievement

hree car manufacturers and several companies providing parts and back-up services receive awards (writes Rodney Hob-son). The best-known names are Nissan of Japan and Peugeot of France, both foreign-owned and honoured for export achievements, and Rover, which gains the technology award.

The British subsidiary of Peugeot, based in Coventry, has been trading since 1980 and exports cars and parts to France. Other markets include Belgium. Spain, Australasia, the Far East, Africa and Pakistan, while new markets are being developed in Japan, Italy, the Netherlands, Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

Nissan has been trading in the United Kingdom since, 1986, having set up shop in Sunderland. It exports cars to 29 countries,

Europe, and the Far East, Xtrac systems with Taiwan a are used in main market and even Japan starting to take British-Formula One racing and made models. The company rallying is seeking opthe former

Poland and Czechoslovakia. Rover Power Train, Rover's subsidiary, gains the technol-ogy award for the develop-ment of the K-series engine. With its advanced lean-burn combustion, the K-series is capable of meeting all emission limits likely to be imposed in the foreseeable future. It

also gives high performance and fuel economy. The engine castings are of aluminium alloy. The design and unstruction methods al-low high crankshaft speeds, while reducing vibration and extending the life of the bear-ings. Its developers tested 875

prototypes for a total of 73,000 hours, over two million miles. Among companies supplying parts is G. Clancey, set up in Halesowen by its parent company Clancey Holdings in 1941. It makes machined components and castings for motor vehicles. Its leading export markets are Europe and the United States, with other outlets in Africa, the Middle East and the Far East. A new market is being estab-

and manufactures high-performance car engines. It won an award in 1986. It exports racing engines to the United States, where they have featured in the Indianapolis 500. America's top car race, as well as Europe and Japan. Engines for road cars go to Germany and Belgium. The company also licences a specialised cast-ing process which generates exports of specialist equipment and low-volume prototype components.

Also exporting to the racing world is Xtrac, a small firm at Wokingham, Berkshire its

The Cosworth Engineering

division of Vickers, trading since 1958, designs, develops

gears and transmission sys-tems are used in Formula One racing and rallying. This company, too, has featured in the Indianapolis race. Its largest customers are Toyota. Mitsubishi, Mazda and Nissan, the Japa-

nese car-Technic, an remarkable growth in the five years since tread tyres. It

ly exported its target of 80 per cent of its output, mainly to European Community coun-tries and Scandinavia. The Germany.

The company is one of the largest in its field, and the first of its type to win the export award. Technic was set up in 1987 by two engineers. Phil Blood and Tony Farmer, who are now joint managing directors. Turnover in the first year was £1.8 million and is now approaching £13 million. Output has risen from 3,000 tyres a week to 27,500 and the company employs 130.

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Master classes polish flying skills **Derek Harris** spots high flyers in the aerospace

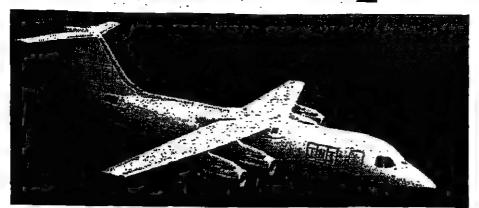
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ig guns among Brit-ain's aerospace manu-Bain's aerospace manufacturers figure strongly again, especially in the export awards, but a newcomer is a five-and-a-half year-old company, International Aerospace. The company hones the talents that go into making top-flight pilots and flight engineers capable of testing the latest aircraft, mili-tary and civil.

James Giles, managing di-rector of International Aerospace, who was himself a test pilot. says it takes the cream of the crop to aspire to the top rank in flying. World-wide, only two commercial operators, International Aerospace in Britain and another company in the United States. offer training of a sufficiently high grade to meet military requirements as well as commercial needs in testing the capabilities of new aircraft.

There are even relatively few military providers of such high-grade training: two operations in the United States, one in the United Kingdom and another in France.

International Aerospace's main establishment is at Cranfield airfield in Bedfordshire but it also recently took over Imac's in-flight simulation. This almost doubled



In demand: British Aerospace has sold nearly 300 of its 146 short-haul jet airliners

turnover to about £5 million a year, of which 85 per cent is work from overseas. International Aerospace's earnings from the Far East, Europe and Scandinavia trebled in the past three years.

At Cranfield about eight new personnel are trained um-range jet which is the only annually, roughly half of them pilots and the others flight engineers. Mr Giles says that

additional skill on top people". The courses include advanced aircraft and simulation skills.

The civil engine business of Rolls-Royce, which recently clinched a £300 million contract-to provide engines for Cathay Pacific's new Boeing 777 fleet, has scooped an exports award as it fights for its share of one of the toughest International markets.

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Jam today: staff at award-winning Fortnum & Mason

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Rolls-Royce is ranged against the two key American manufacturers, Pratt & Witnes and General Electric (GE). There had been fears that poor third in the race to power Boeing's new aircraft, a medi-

Only the cream of the crop can aspire to flying's top rank — testing new aircraft

handling techniques, avionics fresh design it will manufacure this decade, after British Airways decided to buy Pratt &

The Cathay order gives Rolls-Royce a 28 per cent share of the 777 engines market, behind Pratt & Witney but ahead of GE. Rolls-Royce snatched the key order with its Trent 800,

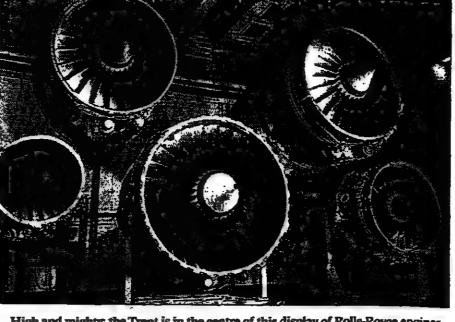
which will be the most powerful engine yet built by the company. It has a maximum thrust of 80,000 lbs. The Rolls-Royce order book

for Trent now stands at 254 for all versions. If all options are included, it means there are £2 billion worth of orders slightly smaller ver-sion, the Trent

700, has been developed to power the Airbus A330, Boeing 777's European rival. The Rolls-Royce engine accounts for 41 per cent of A330 engine orders so

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British Aerospace's commercial aircraft interests, recently split between three new divisions, have earned an export award for success with various commercial airfiners and business jets. They have also supplied the wings for aircraft produced by the Air-



High and mighty: the Trent is in the centre of this display of Rolls-Royce engines

bus consortium, in which BAe has a 20 per cent stake. In 1988 BAe won a technology award for the wing design for the Airbus A320.

Last year there were 27 BAe 146 jet airliners ordered, worth about £385 million. BAe has sold close to 300 of these four-engined aircraft, which are short-haul airliners noted for quietness of opera-tion. Its Jetstream airliners have also proved popular.

Dowty Acrospace, Gloucester, a subsidiary of the Dowty group, has won its second export award (the first was in 1980) for sales of aircraft

products such as landing gear, propellers and flaps. About 55 per cent of its sales are abroad. Last year it won a technology fifth last year.

award for propeller design. Another acrospace specialist with an export award is Dorset-based Penny & Giles Data Recorders, part of Penny & Giles International. It makes aircraft flight data recorders for military and civil use, including the armour-plated "black box" recorders intended to survive a crash and help

unravel unresolved mysteries. The company has seen steady annual sales growth of up to 15 per cent over the past

five years and exports now account for nearly two thirds of sales. Turnover jumped by a

L.A. Rumbold of Camberley in Surrey makes galleys and ovens, passenger seats and lavatory compartments for aircraft use. It won an export award last year and has now added another. It has doubled its exports in one year.

Aerocontracts, of Horiey,

Surrey, which has won an export award, sells 80 per cent abroad. It stocks and distributes aeronautical components. mainly for British-built or British-equipped aircraft.

### Fortnum wins with tea and biscuits Tea, biscuits and preserves shops within shops in about a Coulbeck out of the Grimsby

ortnum & Mason, the London store established on Piccadilly in 1707, is the oldest company to figure in the Queen's Awards list, earning an export trophy for mounting sales of high-quality British foodstuffs abroad (writes Derek Harris). It is one of a cluster of food and drink companies which have earned export awards.

are the key weapons used by Fortzum in its battle for overseas sales. The Japanese in particular, with their taste for prestige labels, have taken to Fortnum's offerings, and Pacific Rim countries have become as important to the company as the United States, Canada and Australasia Formum & Mason now has

dozen leading department stores in Japan. It also has a restaurant in Mitsukoshi's main Tokyo store. Fortnum & Mason has a

long history of selling overseas (often to expatriates) and last year exports rose 47 per cent. Substantial trade in fish to mainland European markets has been built up by Richard

fish docks on south Humber-side. The 17-year-old company has promoted the sale abroad of fish species not traditionally eaten in Britain. such as monkfish, dogfish and

Scotprime Seafoods of Ayr, Scotland, has also increased fish exports this way. The fastgrowing company, established

in 1988, trades in a variety of fish and other frozen seafood. It is a subsidiary of Bluecrest Foods, part of the Booker group of companies.

Lanarkshire-based Inver House Distillers, bought out by its managers in 1988, now sells whisky in about 50 overseas markets and exports are the biggest proportion of

# Cards do overseas

wo companies involved in the production of plastic cards have won export awards (writes Rodney Hobson).

GPT Payphone Systems makes phonecards and payphones. Based in Liverpool, it is owned jointly by GEC and Siemens.

The equipment is easily adaptable for foreign currencies and is designed for all climates, thus allowing communications to be brought to remote locations.

GPT has exported to 60 telephone administrations in 48 countries. It won the technology award last year.

For Gracefern, which trades as Oakwood Design, this is the second export award. The company designs and manu-factures machinery for the production of bank cards. credit cards and telephone

The Letchworth-based company recently pioneered the development of photo ID card systems for banks and in the security field to curb fraud. Two of its card systems incorporate video images of photographs. The company is at the forefront of the smart card business in which microchips are embedded in the cards.

The most important markets are North America and Europe but sales are now penetrating the Far East, par-ticularly Singapore, Japan and South Korea, and eastern Europe. Earlier intensive marketing efforts in the former Eastern bloc are beginning to pay off, with new markets firmly established in Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

Oakwood Design was formed in 1977 and is still a private company. It has financed its rapid growth entirely by its own efforts, without any government loans or outside assistance.

Sales have shown strong growth in the years since the first award was won in 1987. In that year, exports were just turnover. This has grown to 86 per cent of last year's £5.4 million sales.





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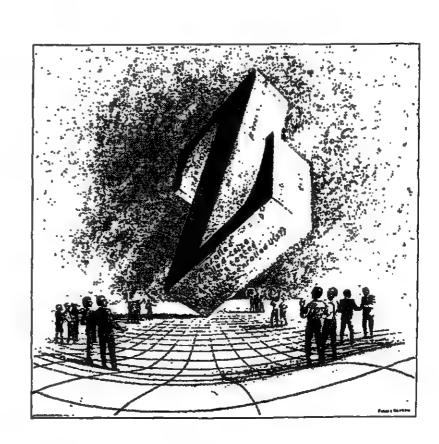
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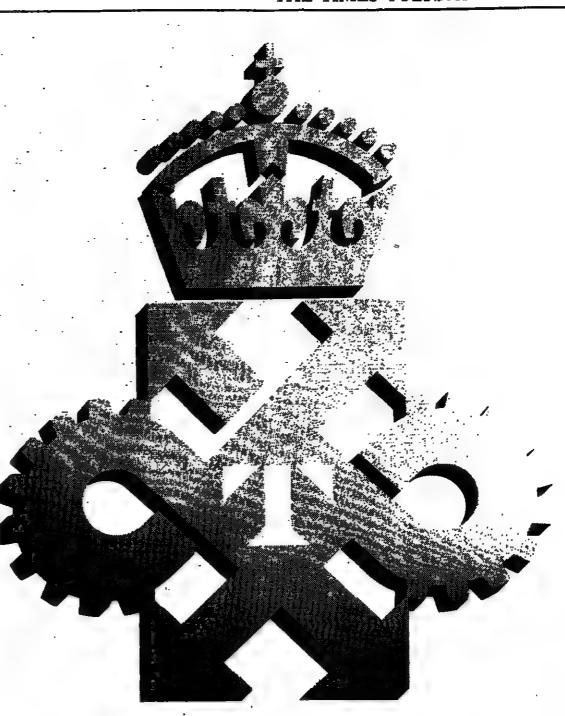
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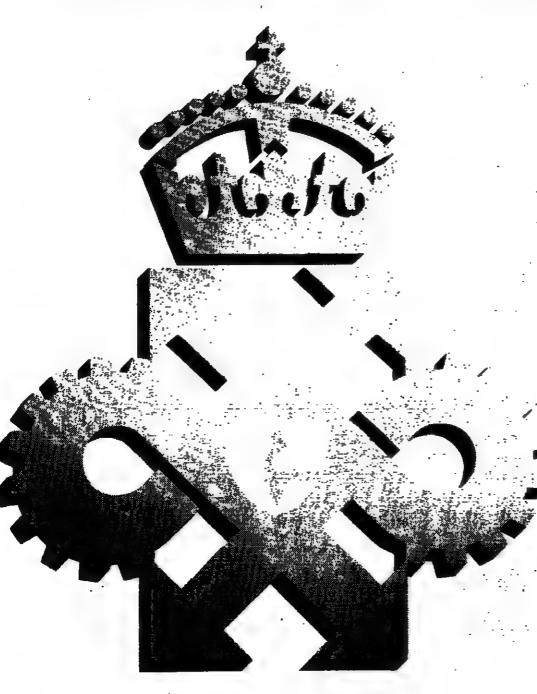
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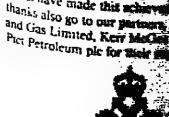
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Ano-Coil, Milton Keynes,

DAINING Associated Timber Services, Newmarket, Suffolk: timber merchants. J Barbour & Sons, South

Shields, Tyne & Wear: country style clothing.

Baxter Woodhouse & Taylor,
Macclesfield, Cheshire duct-

Middlesex:

software.

C Davidson &

Aberdeen, Scotland: paper-board, plasterboard liners and

Denge Power Projects. Mil-ton Keynes, Buckingham-shire: electrical power supply equipment and turnkey

Domino Amjet, Bar Hill,

Cambridge industrial ink-jet printers, and inks.

Dowty Aerospace Gloucester:

Gloucester, aerospace

equipment.

Dunlop International Technology (DITL), Birmingham,
West Midlands: manufacture

ing technology transfer and

ing Division, Crayford, Kent: cable filling applicators.

KBI Foods, Abingdon, Oxfordshire foodstuffs.

RES (Manufacturing), Port

Talbot, West Glamorgan.

Euromoney Publications.

London EC4: financial pub-

lishers and conference

Enropa Scientific, Crewe.

Cheshire: mass spectrometers.

Fabdec, Ellesmere, Shrop-

shire: farm milk storage tanks.

Financial & Corporate Mod-elling Consultants - Staffware Division, London NW1: com-

Format International,

Woking, Surrey: computer

Greater Manchester: furnish-

Fulleon, Cwmbran, Gwent,

G B Glass Engineering (Div-ision of GB Glass), Chester-

field. Derbyshire: glass forming equipment and

Gloverall, London NW2:

Gödel, Escher, Bach, London

GPT Payphone Systems,

Liverpool: payphones and cashless calling systems.

Gracefern trading as Oak-wood Design, Letchworth, Hertfordshire: machinery for

use in bank card manufacture.

Grants of Dalvey, Alness,

Ross-shire, Scotland: stainless

management

Wates: electronic sounders.

Clifton,

software for agriculture.

Fryett's Fabries,

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Wales: jigs.

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ing for the aircraft industry. The Binding Site, Edgbaston, Birmingham, West Midlands: test kits for medical research and diagnosis.

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British Aerospace (Commercial Aircraft), Hatfield, Hert-

fordshire: commercial aircraft and spares, wings for Airbus, British Gas, On Line Inspertion Centre, Cramlington, Northumberland: pipeline inspection service.

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peripherals. Chloride Industrial Batteries. Swinton, Greater Manchester: electric batteries. Chubb Safe Equipment, Wolverhampton, West Midlands,

safes, vaults, cabinets. City Technology, Portsmouth, Hampshire: electrochemical gas sensors and accessories... G Clancey, Halesowen, West Midlands: vehicle engine

components. Ocrical Medical Intern al Insurance, Douglas, Isle of Man: insurance and investment services.

Colvern, Romford, Essex automotive sensors and potentiometers.

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Looking up: Mr Michael Bly, of Hoyland Fox, Penistone, Sheffield, makers of garden, golf and fishing umbrella frames. More than half of the company's output is exported

# Sifting out a thousand candidates

IN MOST years, more than 1,000 applications for a Queen's Award pass through the sifting process at the Queen's Awards Office in London's Horseferry Road, More than 3,000 winners have been selected since the awards began in 1965.

Two thirds or more of the awards have been going to smaller businesses with 200 employees or fewer. A modest proportion of these are subsidiaries of bigger companies. Screening of applications is

from specialists. Likely win-ners come under scrutiny

Helena Laboratories (UK),

Gateshead, Tyne and Wear: medical diagnostic kits and

laboratory instruments.



from two committees. Then they go to a senior committee, the prime minister's advisory committee, as the awards are



Jack Jones

advice of the prime minister. Chairman of this senior committee is Sir Robin But-

ler, head of the home civil service. Two new faces for this year's awards are Sir John airclough, chairman of the Engineering Council, and Sir Hugh Bidwell, chairman of British Invisibles. Other members are Sir Peter Gregson, permanent secre-tary of the trade and industry department; Sir Derek Homby, chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board; Sir Brian Corby, president of the Confederation of British Industry; and Jack Jones, representing the Trades Union Congress. Two independent members are John E. Bolton and Mr J.M. Raisman.

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Thermomax, Bangor, North-ern Ireland: evacuating heat

Thorn Secure Science, Swin-

don, Wiltshire: high security

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ings, Sheffield, South York-shire: precision forged and machined components.

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Isle of Wight: oil pollution

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Williams Fairey Engineering Stockport, Cheshire bridges.

Xtrac. Wokingham, Berk-shire transmission systems.

Yamazaki (Machinery) UK,

Worcester: computer con-

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bridgeshire: public service Acorn Computers Group, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire: the ARM 32 bit, low cost

RISC microprocessor. Amerada Hess, London W1: floating production facility for

offshore production of oil and Amersham International -Pharmaceutical Division, Amersham, Buckingham-shire: Ceretec, brain imaging

agent Andergauge, Aberdeen, Scot-land: adjustable stabiliser for drilled oil wells.

Babenek Energy, Renfrew, Scotland: axial swirl burner for reducing exides of nitrogen.

ration - Engineering Directorate, London W12: stereo sound television (Nicam 728). British Gas - Midlands Research Station of the Research and Techno Division, Solihull, West Midlands: regenerative burner sys-tem for fuel fired furnaces.

Cotswold Pig Development Company, Rothwell, Lincolnshire: genetic improvement in litter size of pigs. Crostield Electronics, Hernel Hempstead, Hertfordshire:

computerised pagination Defence Research Agency -Optical and Display Science Division of the Electronics Division, Malvern, Worcester-

shire: advanced mixtures for liquid crystal displays. Double R Controls, Heywood, Lancashire: in-line cerFiltronic Components. Ship-ley. West Yorkshire: micro-wave switched multiplexer. Glaxo Group Research, Greenford, Middlesex: development of Cefuroxime Axetil, an orally active broad spectrum antibiotic.

Hotwork Development, Dewsbury. West Yorkshire: regenerative burner system for fuel-fired furnaces.

IBM United Kingdom Laboratories, Winchester, Hampshire mathematically based computer software system ICI Agrochemicals - the In-secticide Project Team of the Research and Development Department, Haslemere, Surrey, synthetic pyrethroid

insecticides. ICI Pharmaccuticals, Macclesfield, Cheshire: development of Diprivan, an injectable general anaesthetic. In-Spec Manpower & Inspec-tion Services - Electrical Projects Group, Dyce, Aberdeen, Scotland: non-invasive fault dignosis in AC

induction motors. Lucas Nitrotec Services. Birmingham, West Midlands: Nitrotec process to uprate engineering performance of low alloy steels.

Marconi Electronies -Stanmore Unit, Stanmore, Middlesex: integrated micro-

wave receiver for satellite Merck - Industrial Chemical Division, Poole, Dorset ad-

vanced mixtures for liquid crystal displays.

Mcreol Descaling, Chesterfield, Derbyshire: epoxy resin process for refurbishing pota-

ble water mains. Ometron, London SE26: vibtration pattern imager.

Oxford Lasers, Oxford, Oxfordshire: 100 watt copper Oxford University Computing

Laboratory, Oxford, Oxford-shire: mathematically based computer software system. Peboc. Anglesey. Gwynedd. Wales: N-chlorophthalimide. a major pharmaceutical Intermediate.

Pilkington Comm Systems, Rhyl, Clwyd, Wales: optical backplane connector for cable termination. Portakabin, York North Yorkshire: Pullman series of relocatable buildings. Racal Radar Defence Sys-

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Silsoe Research Institute Silsoe, Bedfordshire: machinery to harvest small grain and seed crops. SmithKline Beecham Phar-

Development, Epsom, Surrey: Bactroban, antibiotic for bacterial skin infections and the elimination of staphylococci TSL Group, Wallsend, Tyne

and Wear, high purity quartz powder and ingots. Vector Fields, Kidlington, Oxford, Oxfordshire: software for electro-magnetic device

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Cotton boll damage

#### Grub defeat

iCI Agrochemicals gained a technological award for its environmentally friendly pyrethroid insecticides, one which is Karate (active ingredient lambda-cyhal-othrin), which protects plants such as cotton bolls

#### ramic substrates. Data Connection, Enfield,

Carol Chell, presenter of Jack in The Box, has good reason to celebrate. London-based Starstream. which produces the satellite television Children's Channel, has quadrupled its export earnings in the last three years.

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Carol Chell



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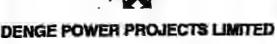


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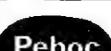
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# Breeding pigs by numbers

Awards given to agriculture include one for a computerised porcine dating service

Lincolnshire pig-breeding company the award for technology, writes Rodney Hobson. This method of speeding up the rate of genetic improvement in livestock has made Cotswold Pig Development Company the first such company to gain this distinction. Cotswold achieved a break-

through in pig breeding when, in 1986, it introduced its unique Group Nucleus Breeding Scheme. The basis is a new statistical technique known as Blup (best linear unbiased prediction), for which Cotswold developed specialised computer software.

Linked with artificial insemina-tion, the scheme allows the performance of pigs on different farms to be compared with each other. Previously, genetic comparisons could only be made by measuring pigs in the same environment. This imited the numbers of pigs that could be tested, and the rate of

Cotswold predicts that the technique will allow an extra pig per litter to be produced every five years, worth £2,000 a year to the armer with a 250-sow herd.

Ross Breeders, part of Hillsdown Holdings, has gained its second export award for poultry breeding. It now exports half its total output to 60 countries world

On the animal feeding side, an export award has been won by International Additives, part of the Hays group. Its products improve the taste of animal feed and pet foods. Through its overseas net-work of subsidiaries, offices and

novel computer dating distributors, it supplies an extensive spread of markets that has just been extended to China. Exports have risen sharply to account for more than half the total output.

The insecticide project team of the research and development department of ICI Agrochemicals gains the technology award for the development of pyrethroid insecticides for agricultural use.

These new pyrethroids are more active than the older forms, provide a high potency from low spraying rates and are degradable in the environment. A broad spectrum of pests, including some that are resistant to other insecticides, is controlled without dam-

age to crops.

A joint award for technology has been won by Shelbourne Reynolds Engineering at Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, and Silsoe Research Institute in Bedfordshire, which have developed a stripper head for combine harvesters that takes grain or seeds with little chaff or leaf material, leaving most of the stalk standing in the field.

Subsequent stages of harvesting are more efficient. As well as being used for UK cereals: the device is in widespread use in North America, particularly for the

Format International designs and manufactures specialist com-puter software for the world animal feed market. Its exports now account for 80 per cent of total earnings. Fabdec manufactures stainless steel milk tanks for dairy farmers and exports to Europe and Japan. Both have won the export

# Study venture rewards

University research can become a vital. innovative source of

income, reports **Rodney Hobson** 

ity Technology in Ports-mouth, a subsidiary of City University, has won its second export award, bringing to four its awards total. It has been trading since 1977 and manufactures gas sensors to control safety, energy-saving and emis-sions. Two of its awards have been for technology, two for export.

City Technology exports more than 80 per cent of its products. Total exports have grown by 980 per cent since 1985 and markets include Europe, Australasia, the Americas, India. Israel. Turkey and the Far East. The company hopes to double its £7.5 million turnover in the next few years.

A growing proportion of the foreign earnings at Umist (the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology) comes from research services and technology-transfer work carried out through its subsidiary. Umist Ven-tures. Research earnings come from 113 countries and research sponsorship has been received from

16 Japanese companies. In 1990-91, Umist brought in more than £10 million, with re-search earning more than £2 million; student fees accounted for

Harold Hankins, Umist principal, says: "Few, if any, universities can match the 17 per cent of total income which we bring Oxford University Computing Laboratory, in conjunction with

granted a Queen's Award for the second time, and IBM is also a previous winner. The achievement is the result of 10 years' collaboration that began after a chance meeting between Professor Tony Hoare, director of

A broad degree on offer: George Bain, London Business School principal, whose programmes use material developed worldwide the programming research group at Oxford, and Tony Kenny, man-IBM United Kingdom Laboratories, has won a technology award for developing a computer programming method for use in the IBM Customer Information Control System. It is the first time that a university department has been ager of the IBM system.

Professor Hoare says: "Our long-term partnership with IBM has contributed simultaneously to commercial advantage, to the progress of pure science and to the improvement of academic education." London Business School, estab-

lished in 1965, is one of the leading institutions of its kind in the world. Under Professor George Bain, the

of degree and non-degree programmes to managers from all over the world. Teaching is through case studies and practical projects, designed in conjunction with businesses across the globe. All of its overseas earnings, which have doubled over the past three years, come from students' fees.

Set up in 1858, the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate is by far the largest UKbased examining body for English as a foreign language. The syndi-

aminations on behalf of education ministries and private centres around the world. More than 60 per cent of its earnings comes from The syndicate now has 450 full-

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time staff and more than 12.000 examiners; a million candidates sat eight million question papers in 1991. Full-time staff are stationed permanently in countries as diverse as Czechoslovakia, Turkey, Thai-



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### Honour that counts

S pecialite, a Surrey-based company launched in 1986, is among the clutch of computer and computer peripherals companies to have won the award for export, writes Rodney Hobson. Specialix is now one of the biggest suppliers of micro-computer enhancement products in Europe, with turnover of more than £10 million.

Gödel Escher Bach, a small firm of management consultants based in London, aims its products, described as "user-promiscuous", at comand the US have more than trebled over the past three years, and account for more than 90 per cent of earnings. Data Connection, also

based in London, is used as an expert partner by the international glants including IBM, Microsoft, Hewlett Packard and NCR. More than £7 million of its £8 million turnover comes from exports. Profit, running at more than £2 million, is distributed to the 123 employees through a profit-related pay scheme and an employee benefit trust.

Compaq Computer Manufacturing at Bishopton, Ren-frewshire, established in 1987, manufactures personal computers and peripheral equip-ment. Exports to Europe, the Middle East, Africa, the Far East, Australasia and the US have increased freight services to and from Scotland.

### Chasing a global market

gaining can be part of the search for new export markets for technology, as Dunlop International Technology, part of the BTR group, has found, writes Rodney Hobson. The company provides services for transferring technology for companies within the BTR group and outside it. A typical example was a £21

million order for the supply of manufacturing technology, engineering design, training and specialist machinery, mainly from the UK, for the Chongqing tyre factory in China's Sichuan province.

This contract involved a complex marketing operation but John Sharrock, managing director, says: "Many emerging nations are now coming to appreciate the benefits of licensing technology from successful companies in the West, and we believe that more and more UK companies will realise the advantages of manufacturing projects overseas."

Duniop currently has projects underway in 10 countries and its award is for

Firms may celebrate as they choose

# Time for pomp and ceremony



Frank Lowther, Northamptonshire Lord Lieutenant. presents a 1991 award to Berne clothing workers

The Queen's Awards are transparent acrylic block given for five years, although if during that time a company notches up fresh achievements, it can apply for another award. Export achievement must usually be shown over three years.

An award is not won just by the leader of a business; it recognises the achievement of the whole enterprise. Reflecting this is the way the awards are presented, usually at the headquarters of the enterprise and by the lord lieutenant (acting as the Queen's repre-sentative) of the county in which it is located.

Handed over are a grant of appointment, presented as a cased scroll, and the Queen's Award emblem, in stainless steel and enclosed in a

The Queen invites three representatives of each awardwinning business to a Buckingham Palace party. They should represent the spectrum of the company's personnel.

ICI Pharmaceuticals cele-brated in an unusual way when it won an award in 1991, by supporting two comemployees gave £13,500 to set up a light and sound studio at Wilmslow, to help improve the communication skills of people newly out of hospital and with learning difficulties. Macclesfield Multiple Schlerosis Society benefited by being donated a purpose-built minibus.

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# Common-law crises

iving together outside marhas, over the past 25 years, become increasingly socially acceptable in England and Wales. The fact that nationally collected social statistics now include cohabitation as a separate category is evidence of official recognition of this 'new" status. While the English language struggles to find appropriate terminology for the phenomenon, growing numbers of couples are choosing to cohabit either as a prelude or alternative to marriage.

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Yet few of them give any serious thought to the legal consequences of their decision to cohabit until a crisis arises in the form of relationship breakdown, the death of their partner, or perhaps possession proceedings. Many assume wrongly that the law confers rights on cohabitees in relation to occupation of the family home and other shared property, similar to those enjoyed by married couples, after a fixed period of cohabitation.

Such myths about "common law marriages" probably stem from rights which do exist within many other common-law jurisdictions, such as those that exist in Canada, Australia and the United States, where cohabitation is recognised as a relationship akin to marriage, and relationship breakdown disputes are governed by a divorce law equivalent founded on

family law principles. Unfortunately, this is not the case in England and Wales. Although recent changes to the law now incorporated in the Children Act 1989 do offer the possibility of some adjustment of unmarried parents' property for the benefit of their children, disputes between cohabitees as to who should remain in the family home or what contributions each partner has made to its purchase are principally a matter of property law rather than family law.

Even though unmarried couples often arrange their affairs in the same way as married couples, pooling their income and dividing the wage-carning and home-making roles, the flexible principles which apply to married couples in this regard are not extended

to the unmarried. Attempts in the 1970s by Lord Denning to adopt a similarly flexible approach with regard to property disputes between unmarried couples were subsequently rejected by the courts. In sharp contrast to the position

Couples who set up home without signing a

unprotected by the law when domestic

problems arise. Anne Barlow reports

The piecemeal

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of spouses, a long number of years caring for the home and children does not raise any entitlement to maintenance on relationship breakdown, and will not of itself give rise to any proprietary interest in a property owned by a cohabitee's partner. Neither will it increase the share of a cohabitee who is a joint owner and who has been disadvantaged in terms of earning capacity as a result. This often leaves a great sense of injustice, which may grow more acute the more socially acceptable cohabitation becomes.

This is not to say that cohabitees are always treated as unconnected individuals. The piecemeal and inconsistent approach of the law with regard to such relationships makes legal advice important in relation to every proposed

joint venture or pos-sible area of dispute and creates problems which cry out for legal reform.

There are numerders giving protec-tion from a violent spouse can be obtained in the High Court, the county court and also the often more accessible magistrates' court. A cohabitee who is the victim of domestic violence has only the county

court remedy. Social security legislation treats men and women who "live together as husband and wife" in the same way as married couples with respect to means-tested benefits, which results in a net reduction of the benefit payable to the

Yet non-means-tested benefits, such as the retirement pension, unemployment and sickness benefit, where entitlement is determined by national insurance contributions, include additional payments only for a dependent spouse and not a dependent cohabitee. Similarly, the Inland Revenue cannot

marriage vow may find themselves

will. Yet a cohabitee will have no such

entitlement to inberit from their de-

ceased partner's estate. If, and only if, a

cohabitee was dependent on their

partner who died without making a

will, or did not include them as a

nance against the estate. But in both

these situations, the law is far less generous than to a spouse in a similar

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partner to which in

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ship breakdown or death of their

habitees. Although the traditional legal disadvantages for children born of a

cohabitation relationship have been removed, the law still does not treat

them in the same way as children of a

married couple at birth, as parental

responsibility is given only to the

makes no distinction between children

Even the recent Children Act 1989

beneficiary, can they claim mainte-

consequences of living together outside marriage can be far-reaching and while some couples choose not to marry to avoid state interference in their relationship, many do not appreciate their legal position. Housing, arrangements for children, financial provision award a married couples' income tax allowance to a cohabiting couple, even where one partner is working and the on death or relationship breakdown are all matters that affect couples who live together as keenly as those who other is their dependant. Spouses automatically inherit from each other if they die without making a

Other legal systems have found ways of dealing with the consequences of such relationships in their family law jurisdiction, yet there is no proposal to reform our law in this regard. What then can be done by individual cohabitees who want to safeguard their

same position as married parents in

As these examples show, the legal

relation to their children.

position and agree on arrangements? Cohabitation contracts in which couples could declare the terms upon which their relationship is based and provide agreed solutions should their relationship break down are widely used in other jurisdictions but may not be enforceable in our law. Although cohabitees can take steps to protect themselves in the event of death or relationship breakdown, as things stand it is wise to seek comprehensive

legal advice. It is important to make clear declarapurchase which can be flexible and provide for future contingencies, and to ensure that the implications of the arrangements are fully explained and understood. Wills are indispensable to cohabiting couples wishing to leave property to the other and it is vital to keep the situation under review.

Although the law is undear about the enforceability of cohabitation contracts, any agreement of this nature is at the very least bound to be good evidence of a couple's intention at the time the contract was made. As such, it is a valuable exercise because it provides a good starting point in the event of any dispute. Cohabitees can pay a high price for falling to consider fully the implications of their relationship. This only adds to the distress already suffered by the loss of a loved one or by a relationship breakdown.

born outside marriage into a stable relationship and those born of a more casual encounter. However, the Act The author is a solicitor and lecturer in law does at last provide a simple means for at University College of Wales, Aberystwyth. She has just published Living Together: A Guide to the Law (Fourmat Publishing: £24. unmarried parents to agree formally to share parental responsibility. This broadly then places the parents in the incl. postage and packing)

# A dressing-down for not dressing up

udges have an infinite variety of ways in which to make the professional life of the advocate as difficult as possible. In 1983, the Californian Supreme Court ruled that it was wrong for a judge to respond to a submission from the district attorney by poking him in the chest with his finger and telling him, buddy boy, you're not going to

get away with this"." In 1988, a judge of the US District Court was reprimanded for threatening to shoot a lawyer. A Californian judge was, in the same year, removed from office for a number of lapses from proper judicial standards, one of which was to tell an offensive joke to female lawyers who had the misfortune to be representing clients on an application before

One way in which the fussy judge may make a nuisance of himself is to focus on irrevelant questions of dress. A prime example was reported two weeks ago from the magistrates' court at Bridgend in Mid

The chairman of the bench interrupted the

sentencing of a defendant in a drink-drive case to order the defence solicitor. Mr Bill Loveluck-Edwards, to leave the court because his shoelaces were undone. The solicitor had undone his laces because his new shoes were uncomfortable.

On his return to court, he understandably complained that the magistrate had treated him like a child.

Judges and lawyers con-cerned about sartorial standards (whether their own or those of others) should be aware that a considerable case law has developed in the United States on the extent to which courts may regulate the dress of advo-

In 1976, the Supreme Court
of Florida held, by a majority of
four to three, that it had no jurisdiction to consider an attorney's complaint about a lower court sentencing him to three days in

jail for his refusal to wear a tie in court.

Justice England, dissenting, pointed out that the advocate's "personal appearance and attire, which included a suit, clean and pressed shirt, and a hanging gold medallion, were otherwise neat, attractive and proper". He wisely rejected "any inference that respect for the judicial system is dependent upon male

attornies wearing neckties".

The District Court of Appeal of California rejected an optimistic appeal against a criminal conviction in 1964. The defendant complained that on the first morning of the trial, the judge had ordered the female defence counsel to remove her hat while in

In 1969, the Supreme Court of New York, Appellate Division, quashed the order of a judge prohibiting a female attorney from

taking part in a case before him until she wore

"suitable, conventional and appropriate" clothes. He was offended by the fact that she was wearing a dress the hemline of which was five inches above her knee.

Justice Del Vecchio, dissenting, took a more conservative view. He was concerned that the dress "revealed substantially more of the human frame than is customarily displayed in a courtoom".

During an extraordinary case in 1984, that could only have occurred in California a judge prohibited an advocate from appearing in his courtroom wearing a turban when there appeared to be no religious or other legitimate reason for such aftire. The anormey declined to say why he wished to wear the turban.

Associate Justice Butler, for the Court of Appeal of California, delivered a grandilo-quent opinion that to require a lawyer to disclose religious beliefs as a condition to appear before a judge returns us to those troubled times our ancestors fled in their search for freedom from religious oppnes-

The appeal court ordered that the lower court give a right of audience to the advocate

unless the court can establish through proper procedure that the turban interferes with or

disrupts justice". An advocate is unfortunate if the judge focuses on his shoe-laces. Judicial irritation is more usually directed at lay people. Earlier this month, a crown court judge in Newcastle upon Tyne was angered by a noisy display of pleasure from the public gallery after a jury acquined a defendant on a charge

of wounding.

The judge ordered 12 members of the public to be detained in prison for the night. One of those so imprisoned later complained that he had not even been in the public gallery at the time. The acquitted defendant

sadly explained that he "was released only to see my friends jailed for cheering the verdict. I was hoping to celebrate with my friends, but they were all locked up".

Perhaps the crown court judge had taken seriously one of A. P. Herbert's Afisleading Cases where there is a footnote reference to Marrable v Rowntree, where the jury, on

being discharged, sang 'For he's a jolly good fellow', and were commined for contempt". Possibly the Bridgend magistrate in the shoelaces case had misunderstood John Mortimer's story in which Rumpole's crossexamination of a witness is interrupted by him being passed a message from Mr Justice Prestcold: "Your bands are falling down and showing your collar stud." As Rumpole curses to himself: "What was this, a murder trial or a bloody fashion parade?"

The author is a practising Queen's Counsel and a fellow of all Souls College. Oxford. His book, Advocates (Oxford University Press, £15), is published on Thursday

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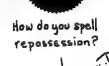
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# INNS AND OUTS

#### The French keep quiet

ON THE surface at least, relations between French and English lawyers remain cordial. The colloquium of the Franco-British Lawyers' Society will take place in Paris on May 16 and 17. The programme will cover the use of judicial experts, succession law, pension funds and securities law - but not the controversial French law which in part sets out to restrict the activities of British lawyers in Paris. But then, French lawyers have always been happy to discuss French law with the British, so long as they do not try to practise it.

Mortgage mate HARD times can prompt innovations. Hamlin Slowe, the West End solicitors, has developed a computer program, a "mortgage recovery service" to help mortgage lenders as part of its secured lending group. The service features a computer link between clients and the firm. Clients now have access to the firm's files and and can check the status of cases at any time - to see, for instance, which are outstanding, whether summons have





been issued, hearing dates set, possessions orders made, warrants issued or eviction

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ONCE upon a time, house deeds used to contain conditions that the property was not to be used as a brothel or as a tripe-dresser's shop. Now Rees Jones Developments, a Weish building firm, has banned satellite dishes on houses it sells. Apparently, if asked nicely. Rees Jones will issue a special dispensation in appropriate cases to allow residents to put up a satellite dish in an unobtrusive position at the back or on the side of the house. As yet, no owner has been desperate enough to put a dish on the front. Could a test case be brewing for a cricket fan?

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# Unhealthy state of affairs

DISASTERS in which people have died in the course of their employment will give fresh impetus to a growing argu-ment about workplace health and safety responsibilities in

the United Kingdom. At the heart of the debate lies a widespread feeling that workplace deaths are treated too lightly by the authorities and that those responsible for systems of work and working conditions, particularly directors and senior managers, should be held more accountable when systems go wrong.

Relatives are often confused by the overlapping enquiries and jurisdictions. First, there is the inquest, which aims to ascertain the identities of the deceased, how his or her death occurred and its cause. If several deaths are linked to the same incident, there may also be a separate independent

enquiry Neither an inquest nor independent inquiry can determine questions of criminal liability. If criminal charges are brought, they are determined separately. The question of civil liability and any obligation to compensate relatives by the payment of damages is determined in yet a fourth separate forum. Though evidence that emerges in one court or enquiry can be useful material on which to base judgments in a separate court,

When workplace accidents

lead to inquests

often criticised as being unnecessarily wasteful of time and resources. Inquest juries are specifical-ly precluded from including in

their verdicts any apportion-ment of civil liability for deaths; the nearest they can come to apportioning criminal responsibility is to return a verdict of "unlawful killing". In recent years, juries have shown a willingness to consider such verdicts rather than "accidental death" or "misad-

It is implicit in a verdict of unlawful killing that a crime has been committed, and concerning a workplace death the crime is most likely to be manslaughter. The fact of an unlawful killing verdict, while guaranteeing a police criminal investigation, does not necessarily mean that charges will follow. That may leave employers with the implication that their employee died because of a serious criminal act - but without a criminal

trial they have no opportunity to clear their name effectively. Yet individuals have occasionally been successfully prosecuted for manslaughter be-

cause of workplace deaths. It is

not so clear whether a company itself can be guilty of corporate manslaughter, although most lawyers believe that it is possible.

Many observers consider there is an overwhelming case for reform of judicial and quasi-judicial procedures into workplace deaths. One possible solution would be to expand the powers of the independent judicial enquiry so as to enable the enquiry to adjudicate on matters of criminal and civil liability, to apportion blame, pass sentence and (where appropriate) assess and award damages.

Such a move would immediately render any further criminal or civil proceedings unnecessary and since there would be little more that could be achieved by a coroner's inquest, could also eliminate

the need for inquests. Many people believe that the main aim of any judicial enquiry must be to examine the facts so the incident is not repeated and that this is best achieved by encouraging wit-nesses to be entirely frank in their evidence. Effectively superimposing a trial on the proceedings of an inquiry would, they claim, inevitably add an adversarial approach

to the proceedings. GARETH WATKINS The writer is a solicitor with Nabarro Nathanson

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# Insulting a profession

Alastair Brett questions the assumptions of the Griffiths Committee

he Griffiths Committee's report to the Law Society and Lord Chancellor last week that employed solicitors and barristers cannot "demonstrate either sufficient detachment or impartiality" to be trusted to present a case in the High Court is an insult to thousands of highly professional solicitors and barristers up and down the country.

It goes further than that: the recommendation is based on the extraordinary premise that more likely to be pressured and manipulated by the captains of British industry or government officers than small firms of solicitors in private practice doing little or nothing other than looking after the interests of heavy-weight criminals in big fraud

This strange idea runs totally counter to the findings of Sir Robert Andrew in his report on government legal services in 1989. He said then: "I do not believe that lawyers lose their independence simply because they are employed by the government (it would be a serious matter if they did) ... [and] I have not heard any suggestion that Treasury Counsel lose their independence by working almost exdusively for the government". In the light of this, it is up to

the Griffiths Committee to produce empirical evidence to demonstrate that employed solicitors lose their independence and integrity and can-not be trusted to adhere to the Law Society's strict professional code of conduct, which, as Lord Denning made clear in the Alfred Crompton case, applies equally to solicitors whether in private practice or in full time employment.

The fact is that the great (about 9,000) think of themselves firstly as officers of the court and secondly as employ-



The Law Courts in The Strand: is it logical that solicitors and barristers who are in employment, including those working for the Crown Prosecution Service, are not permitted to represent clients in High Court cases?

ees of some company. As they can be struck off for breaching their professional rules no employed solicitors are going to allow even a senior executive to pressure them into breaching that code of conduct.

Indeed, the committee's recommendation suggests that a higher degree of independence and integrity is needed in the higher courts (where the judges are better) than in the lower courts, where employed solicitors already exercise rights of audience in the most highly charged custody and social security cases.

In the light of this, one cannot help but feel that the committee's recommendation is little more than the last stand of the Bar and judiciary against the government's deciared intention of sweeping away the legal profession's cosy monopolies and setting up a free and efficient market "so as to give clients the widest possible choice of cost effective services".

Moreover, by refusing em-ployed lawyers a right of audience in the High Court, the committee is denying essential choice. For companies, local authorities, the Crown

Prosecution Service (for the time being) and bodies such as the Commission for Racial Equality, "going to law" will remain as expensive as ever.

As Chambers & Partners, the legal recruitment specialists pointed out last year, it costs three to five times as much to use outside lawyers (£160 to £300 an hour) as to employ a full time lawyer inhouse (£63 an hour).

There is a further illogicality in this nonsentical recommendation. Many employed solicitors run small private practices alongside their main employ-

> private practice". If that principle is lost, employed solicitors will be discriminated against, the profession divided and the Bar will have won a tactical victory against the government and its worthy attempts to reduce the cost of legal services. The Law Society should

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ment so as to offer a personal legal service to friends and Serious Fraud Office, if employed lawyers in the Director of Public Prosecution's Office colleagues. Thus, if the committee's recommendation is (Northern Ireland) and Procuaccepted, an employed solicirators Fiscal in Scotland enjoy tor will not be able to appear in rights of audience in the Crown Court and in jury actions in Scotland - and Sir the High Court for his employer but will be able to appear for the managing director or members of his family if he Robert Andrew can perceive does it through his private Chancellor should grant em-ployed lawyers in these two specialist offices full rights of Between now and June, the Law Society has to decide

audience in the higher courts. The Griffiths Committee appears to have been heavily fluenced by a deeply conservative and reactionary strain within the judiciary. That is a pity. Our judiciary is of ever-increasing ability and inde-pendence but judges are not good at innovating or stream-lining a system they know and love but which, too often, is hopelessly inefficient and ex-

The committee's recommendations on employed lawyers are illogical, restrictive and self-serving. To that extent the Lord Chancellor should ignore them and proceed apace with the reforms he mapped out three years ago. The author is company solicitor to

# ways to work How ICI

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ecession-induced retrenchment is leading corporations to pursue two quite different strategies for routine legal work. Perhaps the most popular trend has been to recruit in-house lawyers in order to have relatively cheap legal advice con-stantly avilable.

The surplus of able solicitors now on the jobs market has meant that competent lawyers have not been hard to find.

The strong reaction against what is considered the excessive fees charged by the lead-ing law firms has given corporations a sense of moral virtue as they cut their legal

But there is an alternative view. A move towards concentrating on "core business" and dispensing with fringe activities has been fuelled by a need to economise and streamline administration. This has persuaded some large organ-isations that rather than recruit more in-house lawyers, a smart move would be to get rid of the ones they have.

Among recent examples of the latter approach, the most important is ICI, which decided a year ago to "contract out" its litigation lawyers. After months of negotiation and discussion with several firms, these lawyers have joined the London office of the Yorkshire-based Hammond Suddard on the understanding that ICI will give its litigation work to the firm for the next three years.

A team of seven former ICI lawyers is now undertaking within Haumond Suddard's London office. Hammond Suddard sees it as a coup to have won a prestige corporate client and the enhanced prestige that comes from such an

The firm has doubled the size of its London staff and



Change: Richard Tyrrell, left, is welcomed to Hammond Suddards by Alan Bottomley, joint senior partner

raised its profile. However, in taking on new staff, three of whom have joined as partners. there were risks.

"In fact, things have turned out very well," says Alan Bottomiey, Hammond Suddard's senior partner. "When we started the exercise, however, we did not know the lawyers involved and we realised that they would have to change their attitude considerably in viewing ICI as a client rather than as an employer."
For Richard Tyrell, the se-

nior litigation lawyer at ICI, it was a culture change that he was prepared to make.

"If you are going to under-take a move of this kind, you must leave all the old attitudes

#### These people find they have talents they never realised they possessed

behind as soon as you leave the company," he says. "There was a psychological change involved, but my colleagues and I have been able to deal with that."

In the medium term, once the initial agreement runs out, Mr Tyrell and his colleagues, along with Mr Bottomley, must be able to persuade ICI that it is worth sticking with Hammond Suddard.

Meanwhile, he must also be able to sell his skills to other clients. "It is probably the biggest change of all but it is stimulating to have to start thinking commercially," he says. "Hammond Suddard has given us training in this and I have been given loss of advice and guidance by my new partners here."

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The move has proved to be an "unqualified success".says Jeffrey Greenwood, Nabarro Nathanson senior partner. Although some people were sur-prised by Nabarro Nathanson's action, the firm was building on both its work in the environmental field and its sizeable local authority prac-

Despite this, it remained important for both the former BCC lawyers and Nabarro Nathanson that Doncaster should not be seen as a "one client office". Here it was of assistance that the BCC lawyers aiready had claims to distinction, having taken on a prominent unionist, and having a strong track record in

employment law. Nevertheless, as Mr Greenwood recalls, "The people had to be right for us. If we thought have gone ahead with it."

in the event, two or three of the BCC people were subsequently encouraged to leave. But the vast majority of them stayed, and the Doncaster practice is now thriving.

Mr Greenwood says: "It is a common misconception that lawyers who work in-house are of lower quality. From person-al experience, I can say that this is not the case at all. "By joining us, the BCC lawyers have been able to realise long-standing ambi-tions. It has also enabled them

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# Private prosecution legitimate

diary Magistrate, Ex parte South Coast Shipping Company and Others' Before Lord Justice Lloyd and Mr Justice Waterhouse

(Judgment April 13) The fact that the public prosecuting authorities had instituted proceedings for a minor offence arising from an incident did not le a private prosecution being brought for a serious offence arising out of the same incident where there was evidence

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The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held when refusing the application of South Coast Shipping Co Ltd, Robert Samuel, Peter Malcolm Butcher, Prederic Darwell and George Greenwood to have their committal by Sir David Hopkins, Bow Street Chief Stipendiary Magistrate, for trial in a private prosecution brought by Mr Ivor Glogg, the husband of a victim in the sinking of a Thames pleasure boat

Mr Michael Hill, QC and Mr Michael Bowes for the applicants: Mr Michael Mansfield, QC and Miss Sally Bradley for the

LORD JUSTICE LLOYD said the disaster occurred when the Marchioness was run down in the Thames by the Bowbelle, owned and operated by the first defendant, leaving 51 dead.

The master of the Bowbelle, Cartein Mandant and the Bowbelle.

Captain Henderson, was charged under section 32 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1988 as being responsible through his acts or omissions for the woman's death. The Director of Public Prosecutions decided that no further

charges would be brought.

On October 30, 1990 an application to the Divisional Court challenging the DPP's decision failed. The master was tried on two corresponds to the control of the on two occasions on both of which the jury failed to reach a verdict

and he was discharged. Whether Parliament could have intended to exclude the possibility of the bringing of a private prosecution in such circumstances depended on sections 3 and 6 of the Prosecution of Offences Act 1985.

In section 3, subsections (2)(a), (c) and (d) provided for the circumstances in which the DPP would take over a prosecution while section 3(2)(b) provided for

not accidental but was crucial, especially when tine came to section 6. Section 6(1) had the effect of precluding a person from bringing a private prosecution in certain cases but not in the circumstances covered by section

Mr Hill had argued that section 6 should be read as being subject to an implied limitation where a presecution of some kind had already taken place. His Lordship could see no

reason for implying such a limita-tion. It was clearly intended to cover section 3(2)(b) cases where

over proceedings which he might have instituted himself. He might then decide to discontinue them as being contrary to the public interest or, if it was too late for that course of action, then to offer

When so read section 3(2) and section 6 made a consistent useful and effective framework to allow members of the public to pursue cases as a safeguard against tardy or inactive prosecuting

Mr Justice Waterhouse agreed. Solicitors: Hill Taylor Dickin-

# Money received by way of pension

Hopkins v Norcros plc

[Judgment April 9]

Before Mr David Latham, QC

arising out of a termination of employment was not to be set off against the damages to which the former employee was entitled where the termination of contract

of employment was wrongful.

Mr David Latham, QC, sitting as a deputy judge of the Queen's Bench Division, so held in assessing damages to be awarded to the aintiff, Mr John Edward Hopkins, for wrongful dismissal, against the defendants, Norcros

Mr Stephen Auld for the plain-tiff, Mr Philip Naughton, QC and Mr Adrian Lynch for the defen-

HIS LORDSHIP said that the question was whether or not moneys received by way of pension arising out of a termination of employment were to be set off against the damages to which the former employee was entitled where the termination of the

The defendants said that sum was deductible for if the plaintiff had not been been dismissed, he would have continued to earn his salary up to October 1, 1991. His only contractual entitlement was to that sum of money. Since he received precisely the same sum of money by way of pension which would not have been payable but for the termination, he had lost nothing.

The only relevance that his sension entitlement had to the

#### computation of damages was the shortfall, if any, between the pension to which he would have been entitled had he continued to work his full contract period, and the pension that he was in fact

receiving as a result of the reduced There did not appear to have been any reported case on the issue but there was clear authority on the deductibility of a disability pension from damages for lost earning capacity in personal injury actions. In Parry v Cleaver

payable to a policeman was to be ignored in assessing financial loss by way of lost earning capacity. In Smoker v London Fire and Civil Defence Authority [[1991] 2

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Lack of financial prudence in

Damages not cut by pension

dent upon whether the claim was ([1970] AC 1) the House of Lords had held that a disability pension

AC 502) an attempt was made to

apply where the employer was the tortfeasor. Both arguments were rejected by the House of Lords From the cases, in damages for

personal injury, no distinction was drawn between a disability pension and a retirement

It seemed to his Lordship that, on the authorities, there was no room for a different approach to deductibility of a pension depen-

It would not be particularly satisfactory if the answer to the question of whether or not a pension was to be deducted depended upon the way in which the claim was formulated.

As a matter of law the pension payments received by the plaintiff

figure which had been agreed as the damages for wrongful dismissal. Despite the fact that that gave the appearance of double recovery, it followed necessarily from the character of pension

It also had the virtue of ensuring that the plaintiff was in the same position as he would have been in had he made his own separate pension provision.

In the absence of any express terms in an occupational pension provided by employers or in the contract of employment, it would seem to be illogical and unjust for there to be a different result merely because the pension was provided by the employer.

Solicitors: Clifford Change;

### Previous appeal relevant

North Wiltshire District Council v Secretary of State for the Environment and

Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Mann and Sir Michael [Judgment April 15]

A previous appeal decision in-distinguishable from the extant case must ordinarily be a material consideration to be taken into account by a planning inspector. account by a planning inspector.
Failure to do so exposed the
inspector's decision to challenge
on the ground that it was not
within his statutory powers.
The Court of Appeal so held in
dismissing an appeal by the
Secretary of State for the Environment against a decision of Mr

ment against a decision of Mr Lionel Read, QC, sitting as a deputy High Court judge, to quash an inspector's decision

allowing an appeal by Mr and Mrs Keith Clover, the second respondents, against a refusal of planning permission for a dwell-ing house on land at Notton, Wittehing

Mr Timothy Straker for North Wiltshire, Mr Stephen Richards for the secretary of state; the second respondents did not appear and were not represented.

LORD JUSTICE MANN said that when making his determination an inspector was obliged to have regard to matters includ-ing "other material considerations".

Previous decisions were capable of being material because like cases should be decided in a like manner so that there was consistency in the appellate process, although an inspector must al-ways exercise his own judgment.

was to ask himself whether if he decided the case in a particular way he was necessarily agreeing or disagreeing with some critical aspect in the decision in the vious case.

Where there was disagreement, the inspector had to weigh the previous decision and give his reasons for departing from it. The materiality of the previous decision was apparent and the inspector had been made aware of it. The absence of any treatment of the previous decision in the inspector's decision substantially prejudiced the interests of the

Lord Justice Purchas and Sir Michael Kerr agreed. Solicitors: Sharpe Pritchard for Mr G. C. Betteridge, Chippenham; Treasury Solicitor.

respondent council.

#### entering into a mortgage agree-ment was not a relevant factor in a claim for income support in contract of employment was wrongful.

respect of mortgage payments, nor was the amount that could be nor was the amount rait could be claimed subject to a ceiling, under paragraph 10(6) of the Income Support General Regulations (SI 1987 No 1967).

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Mann and Sir Michael Kerr) so created on April 2 in dismircing as

Security v Julien

stated on April 2 in dismissing an appeal by the Secretary of State for Social Security against the for Social Security against the decision of Mr Commissioner Johnson who had allowed an appeal by Mr Peter Julien against the dismissal by a social security tribunal of his appeal against a decision of an adjudication officer

Prudence not relevant

that his housing costs, for the purpose of calculating income LORD JUSTICE MANN said

signer, purchased a property in Hampstead in July 1989 for £700,000, which included a mortgage of £630,000. Then, he had a contract yielding £12,000 a month for ten months and another yielding £50,000 plus others. They were later dishonoured and his business

mortgage amounted to £1,783.71

a week His Lordship said that paragraph 10(6) showed that it was ability at the time of entry that was material. The tribunal had looked to prudence not ability and

rect to set aside its decision the ability at the material time, the commissioner had made a finding of fact which, on the to challenge. The sum involved rules applied to Mr Julien as to those with more modest more gages, for the regulations con-sained no ceiling upon the

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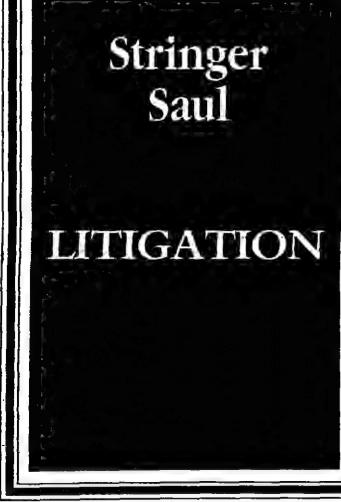
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# Cassan wins hearts as Europeans dominate

FROM JENNY MACARTHUR IN DEL MAR, CALIFORNIA

THOMAS Fruhmann's spectacular win in the Volvo World Cup show-jumping final here on Sunday provided a fitting climax to one of the most dramatic and successful finals in the 14-year history of

Few could have been more surprised at the outcome than the Austrian winner. Fruhmann, aged 41, the former national champion, had never been higher than fourteenth in nine previous finals, On Sunday, riding Bockmann's Genius, he finished 10.5 points ahead of the runner-up, Lesley McNaught-Mandli, of Switzerland, on Moët Pirol.

Fruhmann attributes his poor showing in previous finals to his former top horse, Grandeur, who "did not like" the tough three-part formula. Bockmann's Genius is still inexperienced but has the necessary stamina and temperament. The nine-year-old Hanoverlan, which Fruhmann hopes to ride at the Olympic Games, incurred 0.25 time penalties over five

jumping rounds.

Tina Cassan, of Britain, who finished seventh on Fred. Brown's Genesis, will have Del Mar etched on her heart for the rest of her show-jumping career. Cassan, aged 26, became a cause célèbre after her brave 20-minute stand against the judges on the opening night when she inad-



after the start bell. The "incident", which prompted an unprecedented crowd protest against the judges, led first to her disqualification and then, after appeal, to her reinstatement. From then on, the Californians greeted her every appearance with deafening Cassan's coolness under

vertently crossed the start

pressure and the superb jumping she conjured from the eight-year-old Genesis saw her rise to third place after a clear opening round in the grand prix. Although they dropped to seventh in the second round, after eight faults, Cassan more than underlined her Olympic creden-

The same is true of McNaught-Mandli, aged 27, whose performance on Pirol relegated her more experienced compatriots, Markus and Thomas Fuchs, to third and fourth places. McNaught-Mandii, a former protege of Ted Edgar, started riding for Switzerland after her marriage two years ago to a fellow rider, Beat Mandli.

Pîrol, aged 12, îs a difficult horse but McNaught-Mandii had anticipated that the arena in Del Mar, with good distances and the big final round, would suit him. They had a clear round over the second, much bigger course.

Linda Allen, the American course designer, was widely praised by the riders. Her colourful courses were technical but not overdemanding Ironically, the North American riders fared the least well. Leslie Lanehan, a former cup wirmer, attributed the poor showing of the Americans to a lack of top horses and to the increasingly high standards in European show jumping. RESULT: Volvo World Cup final: 1, Boclossen's Genker (T Frehmann, Austria), 0; 2, Mod Prod (I McNeught-Mandi, Switz), 102; 3, Interparte Stendor (A Fuche, Switz), 11; 4, Dynno (T Fuche, Switz), 11; 4, Dynno (T Fuche, Switz), 11; 4, Dynno (T Fuche, Switz), 11; 4, E G. Rush On (J. Boorbaum, Gar), 12; 6; 7,

#### Stark shows his style

BRITISH Olympic contenders acquitted themselves well at the Daihatsu Brigstock horse trials in Northamptonshire over the weekend (a Special Correspondent

Ian Stark and his Olympic hope. Murphy Himself, gave a copybook display to win one advanced section, as well as

finishing in the places with Glenburnie, who he takes to Badminton.

Patentinition:

Rissul, Tât. Advanced 1: 1, Sir Bannaby (P.
Notan), 35; 2, Batus (E. Stribbie, Neth.), 35; 3,
King Boris (M. Thomson), 37. Advanced 2:
1, Murphy Himself (S. Starid, 39; 2, Febrie
Sovereign (W. Fox-Pitt), 46; 3, Wattains (T.
Cleverly) 48, Advanced 3: 1, Brisniands
Pippin (W. Fox-Pitt), 36; 2, Treublashooter
(H. Belt), 41; 3, King William (M. Thomson)
41. Advanced 4: 1, Cannody Street (F.
Gribb, Ire.), 46; 2, Nenovich (D. Connolly, Ire.),
48; 3, Detas (Blytin Tat., NZ) 51.

ICE HOCKEY

# Warriors clinch a place at Wembley

By Norman de Mesquita

THIS year's Heineken championship quarter-finals have been the closest ever and it was not until yesterday afternoon, when Whitley Warriors completed an excellent 8-4 win over Cardiff Devils, that the Wembley semi-final pairings became clear. Nottingham Panthers will play Norwich and Peterborough Pirates on Friday and the Warriors will play Durham

Wasps on Saturday. The Wasps completed their quarter-final programme with impressive away wins over Murrayfield Racers and the Pirates and were the only team to complete the play-offs unbeaten.

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The Devils needed to win ance and just scraped home on Saturday, Shannon Hope scoring the winning goal against Billingham Bombers with 44 seconds remaining.

But they were never in the hunt at Whitley. In the promotion and relegation playoffs, it came down to a straight choice between Ayr Raiders and Fife Flyers. To retain their premier divi-sion status, the Raiders needed to win by three goals or more, but only managed to beat the Flyers 8-6.

The league entry play-offs saw Medway Bears beat Trafford Metros on Sunday and so regain their Heineken League status. In the other group, Steve Nemeth scored ten goals in Sheffield Steelers' wins over Livingston Kings and Blackburn Blackhawks, but they are alleged to have iced an ineligible player and might lose their promotion in the disciplinary com-

mittee room. MILLICE FOOTI
RESULTS: Heinaken championship:
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Wildcats 14; Ayr Raiders 8, File Flyers 6;
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Tellion Tigers 3, Romtond Raiders 5,
Lesque serry play-office Chalmston
Christons 13, Blackfarm Bedchewics 9;
Livingston Kings 3, Sheffield Steelers 11;
Blackham Blackfarehs 5, Sheffield Steelers
18; Medway Béers 8, Trafford Metros 4;
Codord City Stars 9, Streathern Redskins 5.



Close call: the blinkered Barford Lad overhauling Crossillion in the Durante Handicap at Kempton yesterday

# Stewart joins flu jab critics

BY RICHARD EVANS RACING CORRESPONDENT

ALEC Stewart yesterday became the latest trainer to question existing innoculation of horses against flu after Revil landed the gamble of the Bank Holiday weekend by winning the Rosebery Handicap at Kempton.

The Newmarket handler, whose string was blighted by illness last season, is convinced the current system of vaccinations — especially for young foals — is partly responsible for the way horses fail to recover from illnesses.

"Horses seem to have little resistance to any disease now. We are seeing it year in year "I am one of a growing

Kempton Park

2.35 (1m 1i) 1, SARFORD LAD (L Det 7-1): 2, Grossillion (F Norton, 5-1)

E2.30: £1.50, £3.50, £3.50, DF: £13.00. Trio: £120.70 CSF: £23 68. Trioust: £135 02. 2min 06.98sec.
4.10 (50) 1. OLF-ANTSPONTERN (W. Ryen, 20-1); 2. Six Gaptsin (N Carliste, 18-1), 3. Greetland Rock (F Norton, 33-1). ALSO RANK (Member 19-2 Access The Bay (4th), 5 Touch Of White, Baysthem (50h), 7 Maren Banker, Gondo (5th), 25 Cash A Million, 33 Fortors Diver, 1 ran, 6, 174, 184, 18 th cl. ½! R Sympson at Foothal. Tote: £25.60; £4.20, £2.30, £2.50. DF: £105.50. CSF: £254.57. Tricast: £9,012.95 Imm 01.21sec.
4.40 (Im 2) 1, ALLEGAN (W Ryan, 13-8 fav); 2, Rain Rider (I, Pogoot, 12-1); 3. Sun Seeker (W Carson, 100-30), ALSO RAN 7-2 Tumbridge Weils (4th), 12 Host, 14 Lake Dominion (5th), 20 Snow Board, 25 King's Treasure, Surely Giffaed, 33 Not in Doubt (8th), Royal Circus, 11 ran, NR: Prosto Practice, 10, 11, 174, 2, 2½t H Cecil at Newmentat. Tote: £2,60; £1.20, £2.50, £1.70 DF: £77.60. CSF. £21 45. Zmin 07 Tower.
5.10 (Im) 1, HOLEDAY ISLANIO (M Roberts, 12-1), 2, Red Kite Li Quinn, 10-1); 3, Thrifting Twice (W Ryan, 12-1); 4, Zamin'sh (R Cochrane, 8-1), ALSO RAN's tav Bettyas, 8 Shujen, Try Leguard, Parlemo (8th), 9 Walking The Plank, 11 Khazar, 12 Consiston Lake, Precious Wondar, 14 Native Idol, Karen Louise, 18 Systematic (5th), 20 Alphobas, 25 Walk That Walk, Cretose Denoer, 18 ren. Sh hd, 34, 19, 12, 394; C Brittian at Newmentatic (5th), 20 Alphobas, 25 Walk That Walk, Cretose Denoer, 18 ren. Sh hd, 34, 19, 12, 394; C Brittian at Newmentatic (5th), 20 Alphobas, 25 Walk That Walk, Cretose Denoer, 18 ren. Sh hd, 34, 19, 12, 394; C Brittian at Newmentatic (5th), 20 Alphobas, 25 Walk That Walk, Cretose Denoer, 18 ren. Sh hd, 34, 19, 12, 394; C Brittian at Newmentatic (5th), 20 Alphobas, 25 Walk That Walk, Cretose Denoer, 18 ren. Sh hd, 34, 19, 12, 394; C Brittian at Newmentatic (5th), 20 Alphobas, 25 Walk That Walk, Cretose Denoer, 18 ren. Sh hd, 34, 19, 12, 394; C Brittian at Newmentatic (5th), 20 Alphobas, 25 Walk That Walk, Cretose Denoer, 18 ren. Sh hd, 34, 19, 12, 394; C Brittian at Newmentatic (5th), 20 Alpho

Newcastle

Geing: soft

Going: soft

2.20 (7) 1, WHO'S THAT LADY (S Metonsy, 5-2); 2, Sha's Special (J Carroll, 12-1); 3, Jefferson Davis (D Nichola, 21 tav). ALSO RAN: 4 Crept Out (Stri), Supprovertante (4th), 5 ran. 5; 14; 3, 101. M H Easterby at Great Habrigh. CSF- £22.13. No tote dividends (accinical fautt). Imin 32.54sec.

2.50 (7) 1, COOL LUIKE (J Carroll, 7-1); 2, Hugging (M Birch, 12-1); 3, Bold Boos (A Shoults, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 5-4 fav Rural Lad (6th). 11-4 Turtle Beach (5th), 5 Noel. 10 Carrons Lane (4th), 16 Exposses Gift. 20 Noggings. 9 ran. 1½1. hd, ¾1, 11, 81. G Moore at Michelhem. Tote: £17-30; £2.20. Noggings. 9 ran. 1½1. hd, ¾1, 11, 82. G Moore at Michelhem. Tote: £17-30; £2.20. S2.70, £1.90. DF: £71.00. CSF- £84.70. Imin 30.78sec.

3.20 (5t) 1, WHITLEY GORSE (T Lucas, 20-1); 2, Duike Of Dreams (K Derley, 6-1); 3, Malve R Happen (J Carroll, 9-4). ALSO RAN: 64 fav Public Way (4th), 7 Robix (6th), 12 Melce Mine A Double, 16 My Godson (5th), 20 Coconut Johirny, 8 ran. Nit. (11, 11, 11, 11, 12, 12, 12, 13, £1.90, £1.60. DF: £152.70, CSF- £24.76, Inin 65.18sec.

3.55 (1m) 1, TUSKY (S Mornis, 20-1); 2, State State State (5th), 5 Mornis, 20-1); 2, State 
C152.70, CSP: £124.76. Infini Go. Tesset.
3.55 (1m) 1, TUSKY (S Morris, 20-1); 2,
Golden Grap (S Maloney, 10-1); 3, Two
Left Feet (K Futtler, 4-1); ALSO FARK 11-4
fary Domiclosky (50h), 4 Ashdram (4th), 8
Martini Executive, 9 Mestis Boy, 10 Sebosan (6th), 14 Lehmuslous. 9 min. Hd, hd,
5, 116, 11, M Carmacho et Malbon, Tote:
51.740; £4.90, \$2.50, £1.80, OF: £130.90.
CSP: £177.52, Tricast: £875.06, 1min
44.16sec.

concerned about flu jabs, especially those that are being given to young foals." He called on the Animal Health Trust to publish its research into flu and new

vaccines. Stewart believes present vaccine is outdated "and I would prefer to have none at all rather than outdated vaccine." Revif, one of the horses affected by illness last campaign, was backed down

feature race and took around £80,000 out of the ring. From the stands, the race appeared to go perfectly for Michael Roberts as he struck the front around the twofurlong pole before winning

Nottingham

Going: good to soft 2.10 (8t 15yd) 1, BUNTY BOO (J.Lowe, 2-1 1str); 2, Will Of Steel (A Morro, 11-2); 3, Sahel (G Hind, 13-2), ALSO RAN: 13-2 Desert Cherny, 7 Err (5th), 17-2 Princess Dechtre, 10 Mes Debonal (5th), 16 Bizzing Sensation, Bear With Me, 25 Out Elsen, 33 Superistivemedmus, Travel Tolen, Rue De Remerque, Forza Azzuri (4th), Miton Roome, Heisel, Sizzing Sensh, 17 nm. 3/H, 1/H, 11, 8, Mt. B. McMehon at Tamenorth. Tote: 92.90; E1.10, 22.10, 52.00. DF: £18.80. CSF: £14.67.

E1.30, £1.40, DF: £7.10, CSF: £24.16.

3.45 (1m if 21.3yd) 1, DARE TO DREAM (D Harrison, 10-1); 2, Gilde Path (M Hills, 3-1.4sv); 3, Holy Wanderer (B Procter, 10-1); 3, Stapleton (J Lowe, 13-2), ALSO RAN: 5 Roger Rabbit (5th), 13-2 Miss Hydie, 8 Futures Girl, 10 Ferdia, Thewsari, 12 Tahvitan, Miss Kingfisher, 14 Positive Aspect, 20 Cappahocah (8th), Sports View, Bella Run, 25 Taligray, 16 ran, NR: Pricce Mercury, 21, sh Ind, nk, 5, IL G Laws at Epsom, Tota, £24, £4, 80, £1.50, £3.60, £1.70, DF: £527.50, CSF: £47.38, Tricest £318.92.

A.16 (Im 56yd) 1, KRLLY (M Hile, 5-1); 2, Sasparete (A Musro, 8-1); 3, Sky Hunter (B Raymond, 8-11 fav), ALSO RAN: 7-2 Penny Orchid (4th), 4 ran. 11, nk, 251. F Lee at Wilmslow, Tole: 23,70. DF: £10.00. CSF: £24.60.

CSF: £24.60. 4.45 (1on 1f 213yd) 1, PROFUSION (A Munre, 136); 2, Maji (M Tebburt, 6-1); 3, 71k Fa (B Raymond, 5-6 lav), 3 ran. 214, 12. P Cole at Whatcombe, Tota: £2.50. DF: £2.81. CSF: [7 0]

from an early-morning price

of 5-2 to 6-4 for Kempton's

number of trainers that is by four lengths from last year's winner. No Sub-

In fact, the South African jockey was in all kinds of trouble during the first half mile as Revif got bumped, failed to settle, jumped a path. and temporarily lost his The victory was the middle

leg of a 140-1 treble for the South African, who had earlier made all the running with Miss Nosey Parker down the far rails of the sprint course in the Quail Stakes. The most impressive per-

formance by far of the day belonged to Allegan, a Derby entry trained by Henry Cecil, who spreadeagled 11 rivals in the Fifield Maiden Stakes and recorded a good time, FIRESULTS FROM YESTERBAYS IS BANK FOUR

only seven-tenths slower than that of Revit.

Roberts completed his treble when Holiday Island. trained by Clive Brittain and owned by his wife, Maureen. got up in the final stride of the Middlesex Handicap.

Arctic Call, the unlucky los-

er of the Martell Cup when falling at the last, is a best-priced 4-1 favourite for the Whitbread Gold Cup, which has attracted 13 runners at the five-day stage.

Tipping Tim is 9-2, with

Brown Windsor quoted at 5-

1. Other prices 6-1 Topsham Bay, 10-1 Espy, Four Trix, 12-1 Stay On Tracks, The Leggett, 14-1 Rowlandsons Jewels, 16-1 Mr Frisk, Pacos Bov, 33-1 Bonanza Boy, 66-1 Mirage Day.

# Titley enjoys star billing again on talented Vanton

FROM OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT AT FAIRYHOUSE

home.

National."

There was a 20-length gap

only nine of the 23 starters

Among those who pulled

up was Peter Scudamore's

mount, Captain Dibble, A

bad blunder nine fences out

saw the Nigel Twiston-Davies

raider beating a hasty retreat

and Scudamore wisely pulled

him up half-a-mile from

Scudamore reported: "We

were determined to have a go

here, though we recognised

that this race would probably

come a shade too soon after

his win in the Scottish

Scudamore did not have a

journey in vain however as he

rode the Jeremy Maxwell-trained Johnny's Turn to win

the IRE10.000 Jet Oil

Dunshaughlin Handicap

Hurdle. Once again, this was

a case of a novice beating the

seasoned handicappers.

Fairyhouse details

Boinc: yelding
3.25 JAMESON IRISH GRAND NATIONAL (Handicap chees fieled rece.
1558,200: 3m 50)
1, VANTON (J Titley, 13-2); 2, Over The
Road (R Supple, 16-1); 3, River Tarquin
(K Morgan, 25-1); 4, New Mill House (T J
Teelfie, 20-1) ALSO RAN 4 fav Captain
Dibble (pu), 10 Open The Gate (1), 11
Rashfide (7th), 12 Ebony Jane (6th),
Lacken Bessu (f), 14 Beshop's Staff (pu), 16
Boraceva (pu), Write's Quay (pu), 20 Ace
Of Spies (f), Rossi Novee (5th), 25 Final
Tub (pu), Grand Hebit (f), Sooner Still (8th
8 last), 33 Treet Me Good (bd), 40 Cloughtisney (pu), Coney Grange (pu), Forgestowar (pu), 100 Candy Weis VI (f), War
Melody (f), 23 ran, 41, 20, 451, 44, 441 M J
P O'Bneth in Ireland, Toter 18 10; 12 80,
13.80, 27.50, 53.50 DF, 2131.40 CSF1599.43, Tricest: £2,237.82.

completed the course.

under the spotlight when back to River Tarquin and JASON Titley, who first came winning The Ladbroke in January on How's The Boss, added another speciacular victory on Vanton in the Jameson Irish Grand Nationai at Fairyhouse yesterday. His other handicap wins this season include Grand Habit (Thyestes Chase) and My View (Coral Golden Hu.

die final). There were raptuous scenes in the winner's enclosure when the successful trainer. Michael O'Brien, who has been paralysed since taking a fall in his riding career in the United States, drove back to greet his winner.

O'Brien said: "I always knew he was a good jumper even though he has fallen twice in six chases."

The race was run at a good gallop all the way with Ebony Jane, River Tarquin and Sooner Still cutting out the running for 19 fences. It was at this stage that Titley sent Vanton past a tiring Ebony Jane and the combination soon built up an impressive eight-length lead.

When Vanton pecked on landing at the third-last fence, he allowed the English challenger Over The Road to narrow the gap but, with Vanton making no mistake over the final two jumps, and having the advantage of the stands rail to keep him straight, he was always holding his challenger to win by

**Rainbow Corner impresses** 

RAINBOW Corner looks a horse with a future on the strength of his fluent victory in the £20,555 Prix de Fontainebleau at Longchamp yesterday (Our French Racing Correspondent writes). Though Pat Eddery's mount only beat Highest Ody by a neck with Judge Deci-

sion third, the style of the victory was solid and the French 2,000 Guineas and the Derby at Epsom remain on his agenda.
The £31,038 Prix Noailles

was won by Grand Plaisir, who beat Modhish by a length and a half with Glaieul

4.00 (3m 2f 100yd oh) 1, Tagmoun Chau-four (I. Viscouri, 6-1); 2, Norstown (4-1); 3, Tippears yin (6-1); Colorai O'Kelly 16-8 fee. 14 mm. NF: Strup, 14i, 71, A Barrow, Tobe: 25:00: 21:00 21:00, 22:00. DF: 21:00. CSF: 22:00

Being: good to seft
2.15 (3m 98yd hole) 1, Castisbary Lad (T
Grantham, 7-4 sey): 2, See Buok. (9-2), 3,
Merques Cute (18-1), 11 ran. NR: Groomerean, B, Nd. J Ott. Tetts: 54.70; \$1.90,
21.50, 28.00. DP: 87.80. CSP: £18.81.
Tricaet: \$204.48
2.45 (2m 50yd oh): 1, Blue Buocarneer (L
-itervey, 10-1): 2, Afaiham (13-2): 3,
Bridgetown Late (4-1), Pick Rouan (13-2): 3,
Bridgetown Late (4-1), Pick Rouan (13-2): 3,
2 sy. 7 ran. NR: Cruise Control,
38evenantsocky, Sf. St. T Forster. Tota:
211.70; 23.90, 22.80. DP: £18.40. CSP:
288.21. Tricaet: 2281.25.
3.15 (3m 190yd oh): 1, Sprucer (L Hervey,
9-2): 2, Fire Al WR. (6-4 sey): 3, Pamper
Phory (13-2), 10 rain 2, 11.1 NaClez. Tota:
248.50; 27.30, 27.90, 22.00. DP: £371.80.
CSP: £12.25. Tricaet: 243.43.
3.50 (2m hole): 1, Red Ring (W Marston. · Going: pood to soft

CSH 172.25. Tricipit: 8/31/43. 3.50 (2m holle) I, Red Ring (W Marston, 11-4 ft-fev); 2, Tipp Down (4-1); 3, Fustey Lady (14-1). Kino 11-4 J-few, 6 ren, 294, Rt. J Webber, Tolics 52.20; 52.00, 53.20, DF: 25.69, CSF: 513.65. After stewards' specific resident endo DF: E8.60. CSF: £13.65. After stewards' enquiry, resett stood.
4.25 (2m 5f 110yd oh) 1, Padrigat (A. Sansome, 9-4 tay): 2, Final Spring (9-2): 3, Bob Tischall (5-1), 7 ran. NR: Dromin Leader, 3l. 2/6l. J Cheate. Tele: £3.30: £2.40. £2.00. DF: £8.20. CSF: £13.24.
4.65 (2m holie) 1, Rhorman Cola (P Maddock, 25-1); 2, Don'l Tell The Wile (20-1): 3, Peaceman (9-2). Perdon Ma Mum 4 fav. 15 ran. NR: Croft Mill. Anna Valley. Sh hd 8l. 8 Rothwell. Tota: £49.80: £73.0, £2.00. DF: £871.80. CSF: boll.k2.

Placepot: 2578,80. Wetherby :

Going: good
2.30 (2m 4/ 100yd) 1, Padaventure (M
Dywer, 4-7 lav); 2, WRd Atlantic (10-1); 3,
Lady Token (6-1), 9 an. 5t, sh hi, Mrs G
Reveley, Tota: £1,60; £1,20; £1,50, £1,10.
DF; £4,30, CSF; £7,24.
3.00 (2m indie) 1, Highly Decorated (A
Ortmey, 11-2); 2, Cernden Knight (5-2); 3,
Cougar (12-1), Perjuny Evens tav. 9 ran. 6,
10. J Johnson, Tota: £4,30; £1,50, £1,50,
£1,50, DF; £16,10, CSF; £20,85, Tricast;
£1,52, EP; £16,10, CSF; £20,85, Tricast;
£1,52, DF; £16,10, CSF; £20,85, Tricast;

\$1.50. DF: £16.10, CSF: £20.85. Tricoast: £152.18.

3.95 (2m 50yd ch) 1. Lumber(sck. (M Dwyer, 7-1); 2. Strifting Express (7-2); 3. Bumpficus Boy (6-1). Sprise Cross 2 fav 5 nn. 4, 51. Jumpficus Boy (6-1). Sprise Cross 2 fav 5 nn. 4, 51. Jumpficus Boy (6-1). 18.0 CSF: £26.85.

4.06 (3m hdle) 1. Grace Card (M Dwyer, 65 fav); 2. King Of Sicel (25-1); 3. Morpton (6-1), 11 nn. 30d. 3f. Mar 6 Receive Total (6-1), 11 nn. 30d. 3f. Mar 6 Receive Total (6-1), 11 nn. 30d. 3f. Mar 6 Receive Total (6-1), 11 nn. 30d. 3f. Mar 6 Receive Total (6-1), 14 nn. 12 nd. 3f. Mar 6 Receive Total (6-1), 14 nn. 12 nd. 12 nd. 16 n

Tacepot 264.50 ☐ Richard Quinn teamed up

with Bryan McMahon to land a double on Katy's Lad and Breezy Day at Warwick yesterday. The Tamworth trainer initiated a 147 12-1 treble with Bunty Boo at

renewed his partnership with Tusky and landed his first British victory for 20 months in the £10,000 Newcastle Handicap at Gosforth Park yesterday. Tusky provided Morris, now back from a spell in Bahrain, with his last win on home soil at Thirsk in

Blinkered first time WARWICK 2 15 Loose Zeus

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Going: Good To Soft (Good in pinces).

2.15 (2m 11 hole) 1, Messier Of Troy (Mr A Partoir, Evens fav? 2, Loving Osnes (S2);

3. Stoplam Wood (25-1). 14 nan. NRTs: Highland Rhver, Milton Lass. 8, 201. C Partor. Tote: \$2.10; £1.10, £2.00, £3.60.
DF: £4.50. 55: £5.61.

2.45 (3m ch) 1, Regal Estate (D J Morfiett, 14-1); 2, Watertight (4-1); 3, Lonteno (12-1)3. Marry Mestar 6-11 ties, 6 nan. 3; 8, D Morfaet, 70to: £1.01; £1.30. £1.10, £3.30.
DF: £12.50. CSF: £25.99.

3.15 (2m 44 hole) 1, Mr Optimistic (A Dobbin, 10-11 Pav); 2, Plany Seby (8-3); 3, Uron V (7-2). 6 nan. 87, 1 J O Thelit. Totec £2.10; £1.70, £2.10.
DF: £1.70, £2.10. DF: £1.80, £3.60.
2.10; £1.70, £2.10. DF: £1.80, £5.10. DF: £3.60.
2.50 (3m 21 ch) 1, The Motoombe Oek (Mr K Anderson, 8-11 kny); 2, Ole Ole £0-1); 3, Dundyvan (8-11 kny); 2, Ole Ole £0-1); 3, Ole £1.70, £2.40. £1.80. OP: £24.00. SF: £2.50. Ninestra (8-5teny); 6-1); 2, Dundous Jake (4-1); 3, Marhattan Chase (7-1), 12 rat. NP: Brompton Reed. 15, Mr. C Parker, Toke: £6.80; £1.80.
2.20. £2.00. DF: £1.90. CSF: £00.22 Tricest £1.60.58.
Placepot: £91.00

Hereford

Pacepor 232.90

Plumpton

Going-good 2.30 (2m 4f hole) 1, Smallmead Lad (6 McNell, 18-1); 2, Chimayo (4-1); 3, Charles Desting (7-2 far), 6 mn, 121, 41, D Gandolto, Tota: 226,55; 24,80, 51,30, 51,40, DF; 252,10, CSF; 259,17, Tricast: 2223,65.

223.55.
3.00 (2m ch) 1. Call Me Early (5 McNell, 4-5 tay); 2. Cotaped (6-1); 3. Sharpford (6-1); 7 ran. 12, 12. A Turnell. Tote: \$1.90; \$1.50, \$2.30. DF: \$3.20. CSF: \$6.26. \$3.90 (2m fole) 1. Star Of The Glen (5 McNell, 7-1); 2. Yrojan Call (4-1); 3, Straight Lacad (11-1). Predesting 7-2 tay. 11 ran. NF: The Younge. 2, sh hd. Mes. J Pitman. Tote: \$3.00, \$2.30, \$1.90, \$2.80. DF: \$3.20. CSF: \$3.45. Totast: \$2.80. A 100 (2m ch) 1. Footast: \$2.80. DF: \$3.20. CSF: \$3.45. Totast: \$2.80. A 100 (2m ch) 1. Footast: \$2.80. DF: \$3.20. CSF: \$3.45. Totast: \$2.80. A 100 (2m ch) 1. Footast: \$2.80. DF: \$3.20. CSF: \$3.45. Totast: \$2.80. A 100 (2m ch) 1. Footast: \$2.80. DF: \$3.20. CSF: \$3.45. Totast: \$2.80. A 100 (2m ch) 1. Footast: \$2.80. DF: \$3.20. CSF: \$3.45. Totast: \$2.80. DF: \$3.20. DF:

DF: \$5.90. CSF: \$11.22.
\*\*4.30 (Sm if ch) 1, Mark Kybo (D O'Sull-lvan, 10-11 fev): 2, Disco Duka (7-1); 3, Mad Casanova (11-8), 3 ran, NR; Rocky Vulgan, Crawfordstown, 6l, dist. - R O'Sulfivan, Toter £1.90. DF: £2.80, CSF: \$4.94

Placecot: £113.20.

Going: Good To Firm (Good patiches), 2.30 (2m 31 hdis) 1, Counterbid (D Teog. 1-2 Fav) 1; 2, Innocent Princess (4-1); 3, Maiden Ol iron (5-1) 3; 10 ran. 3, 4, J Edwards. Tota; 21,90; 27,30, 21,20, 21,60, DF; 22,40, CSF: 23,27.

Fakenham

230.98. 4.15 (2m ch) 1, Porter's Song (Mr L Ley, 9-2); 2, Knockumskin (4-1); 3, Indian Maestro (33-1). Deep Spartscus 2 fav. 11 ran. 61, 81. H Autsby. Tobs. 27.30; 21.80, 22.10, £4.40, DF: £11.60, CSF: £25.41.

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5.15 (Im 6f 15yd) 1, LADY ELECTRIC (T Sprake, 20-1), 2, Siliane Stalker (A Munro, 15-8 tay); 3, Lookingtorerainbow (V Smith, 3-1); 4, Carrilingford (L Charnock, 10-1), ALSO SAN, 8 Paper Dance, 10 Nikitas (Sith), 11 Kovalevskida, 12 Merton Mill, 14 Shareef Star, 20 Intrapid Lass (Sith), Broter Rose, Sulvez Moi, Lord Future, 33 Bucktrybam Band, Postdered Bid, One For The Chief, 16 ran, 234, is, 8, 314, 2, R Hodges et Somerion, Tole: £18.60; £3.80, £3.10, £1.10, £1.90, DF: £28.30, CSF: £82.90, Tricest: £149.87.

Pisceoot: £482-70. Piscepot: £462:70. Warwick

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1.45 (1m) 1, Valley Of Fire (G Duffield, 20-1); 2, Petite Sonnerie (7-1); 3, Sea Dune (8-1); Scartetine 2-1 tav. 21 ran, NP. Lady Risk Me. 21, 71, J Fanshawe Toter 18:50; £4:10, £2:50, £3:80 DF-£5770.

CSF-£155.47.

2.15 (81) 1, Threepence (G Carter, 4-1); 2, Hazm (5-2); 3, Puze Formality (9-4 fav), 5 ran 31, 1751. J Berry, Tote, £3:90; £1:50, £2:20, DF-£7:30 CSF-£1-05.

2.45 (1m) 21 18:90; 1, Knty's tast (T

220. DF- E7 30. CSF- CH 05.

2.46 (1m. 2f 169yd) 1, Katy's Lad (T Quarth, 7-2); 2, Woodurather (7-1); 3, Margis Girl (14-1); 4, Queens Tour (50-1). Santaray 5-2 tav. 17 ran. 11, 294. B McMehon. Tote: 64.00; £1.30, £2.50, £2.60, €7.80. DF: £15.60. CSF: £29.04. Tricast: £298.36

3.15 (1m. 2f 169yd) 1, Molly Splash (G Carrier, 25-1); 2, Misrly Goddess (16-1); 3, Shoehom (25-1). Bisshing Balle 2-1 fav. 20 ran. Sh hd. rik. C Cyzer, Tote: £38.60; £9.70, £5.30. £10.40. DF. £190.90. CSF: £360.55.

3.45 (5f) 1, Breazy Day (T Cuinn, 10-1); 2, Hitchin A Ride (25-1); 3, Lucy Dencer (25-1); 4, Sip-A-Snip (14-1), Iron King 11-2 fav. 19 ran. NR: Darusselem %4, 28. B Mo-

Chepstow

Going: good (good to soft patches)
2.00 (2m 44 kdis) 1, Mountain Cabin (G
Bradlay, 16-1); 2, Hostess Oxicidy (14-1);
3, Herberto (5-4 kn), 9 nn. 11, 81, D Murray
Smith. Tote: E17 20: E320, £1.80, £1.80, £1.80.
DF (Winner or second with any other);
E3 20 CSF: £393.48.
2.30 (2m 4ffeb; 1, Norman Conqueror (G
McCourl, 30-100 kny; 2, Tangled Shring;
(9-2); 3, Tinkers Gold (6-1), 3 ren. 25, 28, 1
Thornson Joylen Tote: £1.30. DF: £1.40.
C8F: £2.08;
3.00 (2m hole); 1, Don Valentino (M Pitman, 10-1); 2, Gay Ruffien (9-1); 3, Der
Train (25-1), Sank View F-4 knv, 7 nn. 3, 11
Mrs. J Pformat, Tote: £3, 70: £2.90, £2.30.
DF £30 10. C9P; £83.67
3.30 (2m hole); 1, Kenndebli (G McCourt,
6-1); 2, Vicaroy Jester (7-1); 3, Tree Poppy
(11-2), Beleficate 5-4 knv, 34th, nk, N
Train (25-1); 1, Tragen (N Hawke, 3-1); 2, Strong Gold (13-5 knv); 3, Arstul Abbol (8-1); 1, 101. D.Baurons Tote: £3, 70: £3.60.
DF: £3.20 CSF: £7.91.
4.30 (2m hole); 1, Baydon Star (M Pitman,
5-1); 2, Sonowy Lane (11-6 knv); 3, Denound

ur. 13/20 CSr: Ef.97. 4.30 (2m hole) 1, Baydon Star (M Pitman, 3-1), 2, Snowy Lane (11-5 lev); 3, Denoung Paddy (10-1), 7, 11, Mrs. J Pitman, Tota 24.00; et 90 ct.50, 07 t3.80, CSF, E7.72, Piscopot; 21,480.00

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2.30 (2m 80 yd holis) 1, Bewin (M Ahem, 84 fay); 2, Alossali (9-2); 3, Next Boom (5-1),
7 ran. 41, 11, J Jenkitra. Tote: 22.80; E1.80,
82.40, DF: 64.50, CSP: 59.48.
8.05 (3m ch) 1, Skrygrange (Mr P HarcitagJones, 5-2); 2, Deer Crest (11-8 fay); 3,
Super Furrow (3-1), 7 ran. NR: Pain Mark,
151, 1½1, J Turner. Tote: 53.80; 52.10,
21.60 DF: 62.50, CSP: 57.88.
3.40 (2m 61 10 ydd) 1, Lobric (M Ahem, 81); Isabasu (12-1); 3, Kannbaniya (7-2).
Elegant Stranger 5-2 fav. 11 ran. ½1, 1½8,
Jenkira. Yote: 59.70; 52.90, 52.70,
52.30 DF: (151 70, CSF: 53.58, Tricount:
52.00.81. 

4.50 (2m 5f 110yd chr) 1, Fighting, Jessica (T Byrne, 3-1); 2, Ebony Swell (7-4 tav); 3, Bill And Coup (6-1); 8 ran, 254, 8i J. Upeon, Tota: 24.70; 21.70, 21.30, 32.10. Di: 54.10 CSF: 53.34. Tricast: 229.11. 5.25 (2m 80yd India); 1, Irish Emerald (R Beggan, 5-4 tav); 2, Tarifrion Bay (12-8); 3, Run For Nick (6-1), 6 ran, 6, 101. G Bravery, Tota: 22.50; 21.50, 21.60 Di: 51.90. CSF: 23.97.

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2.15 (2m 1f ch) 1, Militard Goay (Mr F
Monner, 8-11 fav): 2. Circulation (13-8), 3,
R N Commander (66-1), 7 ran. NR: Tiber
Melody: 15, dist. M Figs. Tols: 5.170:
£1.30, £1.50 DF: £1.70. CSF: £2.10.
2.45 (2m 11 hda) 1, Hard To Gott (Ann
Stokal) 10-1; 2. Relief Map (74-fav): 3,
Pinecone Peter: (3-1), 10 ran. 3(. 3), M
Barraclough. Tols: £1.240; £2.70, £1.40,
£1.40 DF: £14.40. CSF: £27.65. Tricast:
£001.30.



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3.80 (2m 47 sh) 1, Ardiarin (D Murphy, 8-4 fav); 2, Hobermain (8-1); 3, Rus To Form (7-1), 8 can. 4, 10. 1 Tale. Toke: £2.40; £1.60, £3.80, DF: £1.40, CSF-£12.04.
4.00 (2m;ch)-1, Northumbrian King (Mr M Armylage, 5-3); 2, Sheet Jest (Evens fav); 3, Sperian Spiffe (12-1), 4 eas. 25, 20. Mrs. K. Wattop, Toke: £1.80, DF: £1.80, CSF-£2.31.
4.30 (2m 4f. hole); 1, Mountahannon (Peter Caldriget, 16-1); 2, Royal Prograbe (7-2); 3, Karboz (12-7), Luke & Bares Boy 2-1 fav. 10-zim. 12, S1. C. Thetilne, Toke: £26.90; £5.20, £1.80; £2.80, DF: £47.80.
CSF-£2.438.
Placapot: £183.10

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2.00 (2m hdle) 1, High Baron (Mr M Hourigan, 10-1): 2, Grand Frem (5-1): 3, Bankroll (4-5 fav). 11 ran, 3, 10t. R Atner, Tole:
11.10: 51.80, 82.00, 81.80 DF: 28303
CSF: 280 48.
2.30 (2m 61 hdle) 1, Shadeus: (Mr M Hourigan, 5-1): 2, Sukasb (5-1): 3, 'Star, O'
Oughtesid (14-1), interprelation 7-4 fav.
13 ran, 5, 2, Mrs Wornscott, Tole: 59.20,
21.90, 21.90, 24.20, DF: \$24.80 CSF:
234.31 Tricast: 230.27

22.90, £1.90, £4.20, DF: £24.50 CSF: £34.31 Tricast: £330.27
3.00 (2m Si ct) 1, Coole Dedger (# Dunwoody, 4-5 fav); 2, Smartie Express (#-1); 3, Myverygoodhised (#-1); 10 mn, NF: Dat Train. Wi, 15. G Ham, Toter £2.00: £1.40, £1 f0, £3 f0, DF: £4.10, CSF: £6.28
3.30 (2m hdia) 1, Darlog Class (\$ Hodgson, 50-1); 2, Polder (50-1); 3, Reveas (4-7 taty) 9 ran. MF: Singuiser Run, £2, ½, P Rodford, Tote: £80.80; £7.40, £14.60, £1.10, DF (\*-480, CSF: £36.51, 4.00) (3m 11 ch) 1, Fermioa Boy (\$ Hodgson, 5-1); 2, Arabic Baron (16-1); 3, Ross Venture (5-1), Bankers Gossp 5-2 fav, 11 ran 3, 3, G Balding, Tote, £5.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £2.30, £3.30,

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Going: good to soft (soft patches)
2.15 (2m hdds) 1, On The Prowl (M Foster, 10-1); 2, Emerald Venture (4-1); 3, Lusty Light (10-11 law), 14 ran, NF Mhanasa 6, 101 M Figs. 106: 58.40, 22.50, 21.40, 21.20, DF: 50.30, C3-25.42, 2.50 (2m Af hdds) 1, Franciscen (G Lyons, 3-1 law); 2, Expound (20-1); 3, Forcelo (8-1), 14 ran, MF: Reade, 2, 4, 8 Prancia, 10ter, 25.10; 22.09, 26.30, 22.90, DF: 2216.60, C3F: 257.42 without 246.45, 3, 25 (3m 2f ch) 1, Buddington (J Railton, 2-1); 2, Woodlands Germire (14-1); 3, Dunsbrock Lad (4-1), Johnny's Sipper 54 faw, 7 ran, NF: Fissende Boy, 20, 261, T Fornter, Toler, 23.30; 21.90, 29.50, DF: 259.00, C7-201.31

4.00 (2m Indie) 1, Buckra Mellisuge (C Grant, 94 tay; 2, Whippers Delight (5-2); 3, Wittoski (7-2), 8-ras, 17st, 3t, W A Stephenson, Tota; 23.00; 21.30, 21.40, 51.30, DF: 54.50, CSF: 9.25, Tricast: £18.05,

E19.03.

4.35 (2m 4f ch) f. Bad Trade (C Grain, 10-11 fav); 2. Rectory Boy (F-4): 3 ran. New Halen, Plantic Speciage, Dist. W A Stephanson, Total E1.00. DF: E1.50. CSF: 25.55. Only two Shisbad?

5.10 (2m holis) f. Salvarian (C Llawallyn: 8-11 fav); 2. Papaisio (2/1); 3. La Temerain (4-1), 3 ran. 51, 12. I' Thomson Jones, Total E1.00. DF: E1.50. CSF: £2.44. Newton Appot

Going: good A.
2.15 (2m 150)/d helio; 1, Diamond Cut (J.
Frost, 4-11 fav); 2, Madraj (8-2); 3, See:
Carlet (20-1), 6 ran. 71, 20, M Pipe. Total
E1.30; 21.10, 21.80; 20; 21.70. GSF:
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ARMY Of Stars, from Clive Brittain's Newmarket stable, looks set to make a successful return to Warwick today by landing the Bradford & Bingley Heart Of England's Historic Handicap there, having already won a slightly longer race on the same track in March.

Since then Army Of Stars has been beaten into seventh place over two miles at Newbury, where lack of stamina brought about his defeat after he held a good position two furiones from home.

Even so, he still managed to finish just over two lengths in front of Beebob, one of his rivals again today, whom he

Army Of Stars to march home terms. When he won the Coventry Cup on his previous start, Army Of Stars left Gulf Palace and Saffaah toiling in his wake.

With Gulf Palace subsequently winning at Newmar-ket last Wednesday and Saffaah also successful at Haydock on Saturday, that earlier form now rests on much stronger foundations.

Whereas Army Of Stars has already shown that he will relish the current going on the Midlands track, Matador, the top weight, could easily find it too tacky and the distance too short.

On the other hand, Lester

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#### MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Piggott can expect a good ride on Rare Detail, who was beaten only a length by Westem Dynasty on her seasonal debut at Kempton.

Piggott clearly has a fine chance of winning the Courier Maiden Stakes for Henry Cecil on Pavonis, who was relegated to second place by his better-fancied stable companion Pabouche, the only time he ran last season.

The first division of the Warwick Castle Maiden Stakes can go to Green Lane,

#### who was beaten only a neck trainer's widow, Cath. by Royal Pressure on the

same track last year. The second division is best

left to Majboor, whose third behind River Defensive and Rebel Call at Newbury eleven days ago gives him the beating of Polish Blue. Trooping looks the pick of the remainder.

On the jumping front at Chepstow, the cheers that would greet a victory for Royal Pavilion at the end of the Fulke Walwyn Handicap Chase would surely be deafening because the horse in question is owned by the Queen Mother and trained

for her by her late and great

While conceding that senti-

most memorable occasion.

start to the season came at Ludlow a fortnight ago when he finished sixth behind Plat Reay, beaten only eight

lengths.
Finally, Good Tonic, who did this column a good turn when landing the nap at Newbury last month, is taken to do likewise by winning the Crossley Handicap Chase at Wetherby.

# Glenavey has easy passage

#### POINT-TO-POINT BY BRIAN BEEL

GLENAVEY, a close third in ment plays no part in the destiny of prize-money in this hard-fought sport, I do suggest that Royal Pavilion has a Land Rover final by winning good chance of making this a | at the Ashford Valley pointto-point on Saturday. His rid-His first, if somewhat late | er, Paul Hacking, completed a double on Trifast Lad in the combined.

By winning at the Bedale, Knocklaur booked his ticket for the same event, as did Good Waters at the Woodlands Pytchley.

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WE LEIBY

2.40 Mountain Kingdom, 3.10 Montagnard, 3.40 Many A Slip. 4.10 Mr Woodcock. 4.40 GOOD TONIC (nap). 5.10 Gallateen.

2.40 Braida Boy. 3.10 Nodform Wonder. 3.40 Poli-

tical Issue. 4.10 Jeassu. 4.40 Peanuts Pet. 5.10 Gallateen.

Richard Evans: 4.10 MR WOODCOCK (nap).

when qualifying for the more lucrative 10-1 chance.

BMW final at the Seav- Red Maid, in the maiden. ington.

beat Sweatshirt, ridden by ner's enclosure again since Justin Farthing. Farthing his success in the Waterford then had his revenge over Crystal Supreme Novices at Treloggen when Archie's Nephew beat Mendip Music did so after the hunt race at in the farmers' race and completed a double on Very Touching.

Malcolm Batters followed his odds-on success on Station Rank in the South & Ascot winner Double Silk

made light of his 10lb penalty West Wilts members with the

Harry Hastings has taken Under Ron Treloggen, he a long time to enter a win-Cheltenham in 1985, but he the Eglinton.

TODAY'S MEETINGS, Croome & West Warwicks Upton-on-Severn, \$ mides north of Tewkerbury (hist race 2.20) high Peak & NE Cheshire, Flang More To SE of Burton (2.30), Pytchley, Gudsborough 10m N of Northampton (2.00)

#### MANDARIN THUNDERER BRIAN BEEL 2.00 Ebony Gale, 2.30 Beech Road 2.00 Ebony Gale. 4.00 Rushing Wild. 2.30 Beech Road. 3.00 River Bounty. 3.30 Dormers Delight. 4.00 Rushing Wild. 4.30 Vagog. 3.00 Royal Pavilion. 3.30 Dormers Delight, 4.00 Rushing Wild. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.30 AUVILLAR. GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT PATCHES)

2.00 MAJOR NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (£1,968: 3m) (19 runners) 1 0-10022 WARNER FOR WINNERS 17 (C.S) (Terry Warner Sports) P Hobbs 6-11-11 Mr M Hourigan (7) 0-10022 WARNER FOR WINNERS 17 (C.S) (Terry Warner Sports) P Hobbs 6-11-11 Mr M Hourigan (7) 0-10022 WARNER FOR WINNERS 17 (C.S) (Terry Warner Sports) P Hobbs 6-11-11 Mr M Hourigan (7) 0-1002 WARNER FOR WINNERS 17 (C.S) (J.C.) (J.C BETTING: 4-1 Ebony Gale, 5-1 Spring To II, 8-1 Keepoli-The-Grees, 7-1 Gray's Ellergy, 8-1 Warner Winners, 12-1 Artiul Arthur, 16-1 others.

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#### FORM FOCUS

WARNER POR WINNERS 4  2nd of 17 to Agarbin a nowce hundle 3! Hereford (2m 11, good), with JOANEY HOW putted up EBONY GALE 15 in 3 nd on on on on on one hundle at stration of 5 to Golden Arche in a nonce hundle at Newbury (3m 100yd, good) KEEPOFF-THE-GRASS beat Ragtime 4! in a 9-runner novice hundle at Huntingdon (3m 11, term) SPRING TO 17 beat Vanish 31 in Selection: GRAY'S ELLERGY

2.30 WELSH NOVICES CHAMPIONSHIP CHASE (£4,230: 2m) (2 runners) BETTING: 4-5 Beech Road, 11-10 Cyphrate. 1991: HIGH KNOWL 8-11-6 P Scuttamore (11-5) M Pipe 4 ran

#### FORM FOCUS

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3.00 FULKE WALWYN HANDICAP CHASE (23,590: 2m 41) (8 runners)	Ī
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1.45 Green Lane.

4.15 Zuno Warrior.

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3.15 Pavonis. 3.45 Army Of Stars.

15 Man Of The Season.

EASTSHAW 1'tl 2nd of 8 to Gambling Royal in a hendicap chase at Sandown (3m 118yd, good). Royal Rocktor Vrl in a 14-runner hendicap chase at Liverpool (2m 41, good), with that, F BROTHER pulled up before 4 out. CACHE FLEUR's best recent effort was when beating Weish Commander 3'tl in a 15-runner novice chase.

e 4 out. CACHE s when beating ner novice chase	soft). KISSANE best River House 31 in a 5-runter handicap chase at Sandown (2m 4f 68yd, good). Selection: HIVER BOUNTY
THUNDEREI 1.45 Green La 2.15 Prince Re 2.45 Trooping 3.15 Pavonis 3.45 Rare Det	ne. 3.15 Pavozis. odney.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.15 PAVONIS (nap). 3.45 Army Of Stars.

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4.15 Crusade. 4.45 Pimsboy.

1.4	5 WARV	/ICK CASTLE MAIDEN STAKES
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17 (13) 2130 MISS SHUN LEE IR Dugdale) P.R Tucker 82 C Hawksley (7) 18 (18) MISS SHUN LEE IR Dugdale) P.R Tucker 82 C Hawksley (7) 19 (6) 00230-6 CERTAIN LADY 22 (G) (Mrs. B Blum) G Blum 8-0 C Hawksley (7) 19 (6) 00230-6 CERTAIN LADY 22 (G) (Mrs. J. Froome) R. Simpson 7-12 A Tucker (5) 20 (17) 0 MORLINSKI DANCER 15 (Mrs. J. Froome) R. Simpson 7-12 A Tucker (5) 20 (17) 17 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. BETTING: 7-2 Man CI The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. Betting That The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro. Betting That The Seeson 4-1 Prince Rodney. 5-1 That Tenes, 6-1 Hand On Heart, 8-1 Leigh Cro.
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3.30 EASTER SELLING HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,562: 2m 4f) (10 runners)
1 0P210 DORMERS DELIGHT 18 (B,BF,S) (Dormers Builders Ltd) M Pipe 11-5 P Scudiamore 80 122321 VADO VIA 18 (S) (G Weshire) D Winste 11-4 Mr J Winste (7) 90 P040 ACE HLL 25 (V) (K Nohols (6 Ham 11-0 8 Burrough 70 002510 ANDERSON ROSE 10 (G Weshire) D Winste 11-0 Mr R Davis (7) 8 348054 AUVILLAR 10 (V) (C Fine) O Chiel 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R Durwoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASCATORE 55 (F Variety 11-0 R DURWoody 6-99 P0 DAL PASC
7 380420 MENERS LAW 32 (B) (D Gough) B Presce 110

1991: BRADMORE'S CHUM 11-0 P Scudamore (7-2) M Pipe 5 ren FORM FOCUS DORMERS DELIGHT SI 2nd of 13 to Caribbean Prince in a selling hurdle at Nottingham (2m. good to fam.), with DAL PASCATORE tailed-oif fast VADO VIA beat ID Moda 2 in a 14-numer selling hurdle at Bengor (2m 3t, soft), with DORMERS DELIGHT (4th Deuter oil) tailed-oil 9th.

ANDERSON ROSE Dast Randoms 201 in a 4-turner

4.00 MARLBOROUGH BOOK SHOP HUNTER CHASE

1991: STAREMBER LAD 7-11-0 Mas J Carrings (2-1 fav) Mrs H Johnson 9 ran FORM FOCUS

FIDDLERS PIKE beat Rose-Lane 3I in a 16-runner hunter chase at Townester (3m 11, good to soft). Previously, beat Ardense (0I in a 10-runner hunter chase at Newton Abbot (3m 2f 110yd, good to soft). Previously, beat Ardense (10I in a 10-runner hunter chase at Wincenton (3m 12I in 1914 SKERRY). MEADOW 3SI 5th of 7 to Seven Of Diamonds in the Neural Fox Hunters at Liverpool (2m 8I, good). Previously, beat Ardense 25I in the 24-runner Christics Foxhumters at Cheltenham (3m 2I, good).

lime out Selection: RUSHING WILD

4.30 UNICORN HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,856: 3m) (15 runners) 

Long handlosp: Anmo Chilone 9-7, Canlamega 9-7, Casann 9-4, Peche D'Or 8-3 BETTING: 9-2 Vagog, 6-1 Fortunes Wood, 7-1 Duncen Idaho, 8-1 Capability Brown, 10-1 others. 1991: ROSITARY 8-10-13 M Percett (8-2 (I-fav) 3 Mellor 14 ran

#### FORM FOCUS

1 01101
SPROWSTON BOY & 7th of 31 to My View in the
Coral Golden Hurdle Rinal at Chaltenham (3m 1f,
good) on penultimete start, with CAPABILITY
BROWN (18) better off) a head 8th and DWADME
(2b better off) talled-off 17th CAPABILITY
BROWN heat Seyyure 10i in a 14-runner handigep
hurde at Newbury (3m 100yd, good). VAGOG 7l 2nd
of 18 to Maelkar in a handicap hurdle at Asset (3m,
BORD, VICOMPT DE VALMONT 171/21 Sth of 15 to
Barton Bank in a grade it novice hurdle at Liverpool
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3.15 COURIER MAIDEN STAKES

18-runner handicap hurdle Utlowster (2m 8f. good), with PORTUNES WOOD 32 12th and DUNCAN IDAHO falling 7th OUNAVARRA MILL 31 2nd of 21 to Premier Proness in a handicap hurdle at Notinghem ;3m 4f, good), with COXANN tailed-off 10th and PORTUNES WOOD unseased rider 3 out EHRALD SUNSET 31 3nd of 17 to See Buck in a handicap hurdle at Stratford (2m 8f, good), with CRAZY RIVER (arms learns) a neck 4th, COXANN tailed-off 10th and OUNAVARRA Mill, taking 6th Selection: CRAZY RIVER (map)

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TRAINERS M Pipe J Upeon H Henserson Mas J Planer J Cillier R Lee	Winners 51 3 7 20 15	Runners 171 14 34 101 80 49	Per cent 29.8 21.4 20.6 19.5 18.8 14.3	JOCKEYS P Southerner M Pitman N Hanne D Gallagher R Gunett R Durnwoody	Winners 45 18 7 3 7	Rides 123 87 37 119 45 81	Per cent 37.4 23.9 18.9 15.8 16.2 14.8

1991; MESLEH 4-10-0 S Cauthen (8-4 law) J Gosden 15 ran	(Colf	5 8	geldings	: £2,520: 1m 2f 169yd) (14 runners)
4 (8) COURT RISE (R Tooth) H Amestong 3-9-4	1	(1	) _	HEBRIDEAN (P Deut) H Condy 5-10-0
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7 (8) 00- INAN 199 (H AMeticoum) J Dumicip 3-8-6. I Cumeri 9 (14) 00- RIDIAN DECISION 202 (V Meliya) J Dumicip 3-8-6. I Dumici 9 (14) NJEZ (Sheikh Mohammed) C Brittein 3-6-5. I L Dimici 10 (12) 2- PAVONIS 175 (D Herris) H Cock 3-8-8. I L Piggott 9 (12) 11 (2) 0000- PINKLINSKI 175 (P Wedge) R Hemmon 3-8-8. I P Partners (5) 77 (12) (10) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A Geuma) M Samaciough 3-8-8. I P Partners (5) 77 (15) (6) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A Geuma) M Samaciough 3-8-8. I P Norton (5) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A Geuma) M Samaciough 3-8-8. I P Norton (5) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A Geuma) M Samaciough 3-8-8. I P Norton (5) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A Geuma) M Samaciough 3-8-8. I P Norton (5) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A GEUMA) SAMACION SAMACION SAMACION SAMACION SAMACION (5) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A GEUMA) SAMACION SAMACION (5) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A GEUMA) SAMACION SAMACION (5) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A GEUMA) SAMACION (6) 00000- SALLIKON (6) 00000- SALLIKON DANCER 197 (A GEUMA) SAMACION (6) 00000- SALLIKON (6) 00000- SALL	ē	cia	6 500m	HAUT-BRION 239 (R Sangster) P Chapple-Hyum 3-8-8 Paul Eddery 81
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12 (10) 00000- SALMON DANCER 197 (A Geuna) M Barraciough 3-8-8			0000	DIME INSKI 175 /P World R Hennon 3-58 H Partiers (9) //
18 (6) 8 THAKAWAH 10 (H AMAKROUM) R Ametrong 388 B Raymond 79 14 (2) 86 YAAFOOR 164 (A AMAKROUM) A SOUT 388 B Raymond 79 BETTING: 64 Pavonis, 8-2 Yaafoor, 8-1 Meqdasm, 8-1 Nuez, 10-1 Cryptic Clue, 12-1 Inen, 14-1 others. 1991; MESLEH 4-10-0 S Cauthen (8-4 lav) J Gooden 15 ran 3.45 BRADFORD & BINGLEY ENGLAND'S HISTORIC HEARTLAND			00000-	SALMON DANCER 197 (A Geuna) M Sanaclough 3-8-8 F Norton (3)
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14	4-42810	ARMY OF STARS 11 (C,D,F,G,S) (Stars Partnership) C Brittain 7-88 M Roberts	<b>)</b> 96
Ì	014/1/0	EMPIRE BLUE 19 (D.F.G.S) (R Green Fine Paintings) P Cole 9-9-7 T Quinn	_
ä	15220-0	BEEBOS 11 (G) (D Johnson) M Pipe 4-93 Paul Eddery	90
11	159849.	FI AINF TULLY 207 (G) (F Seinsbury) M Heaton-Elis 4-1	17
Ž0	42630-2	RARE DETAIL 18 (D.G.S) (Y Alazawa) Mrs L Piggott 490 L Piggott	- 94
- 48	3 23446-0	CLEAR LIGHT 38 (CD.G) (C Eden) C Smith 5-7-13 D Harrison (7)	94
i i i	12022-0	MERRY MARIGOLD 42 (D.S) (Mrs   Penfold) J Roberts 6-7-7 F Norton (3)	87
iš	085000-	ZEALOUS KITTEN 24J (M Oseman) R Price 47-7	86
		ry Marigold 7-5, Zeatous Kitlen 7-0	
NC	: 3-1 Rare 1	Detail, 7-2 Army Ot Stars, 4-1 Beebolb, 5-1 Matedor, 6-1 Empire Blue, 8-1 others.	
		1991: CLEAR LIGHT 4-7-7 D Hotend (11-4) M Pipe 8 ran	

Long It 4.15 EBF HATTON COUNTRY WORLD MAIDEN STAKES

# (2-Y-O colts & geldings: £2,633: 5f) (14 runners) BARSLEY (B Oliver) J Jankins 9-0 R Cockyane BOURBON JACK (E Landi) J Psyne 9-0 R Cockyane BUCKSKI ECHO (T Jones) T Jones 9-0 N Adams O CRUSADE 11 (Kannet Valley Thoroughbreds Ltd) R Hannon 9-0 W Carson DAYTONA BEACH (P Savel) R Hollinshead 9-0 K Darriey PILGRIM BAY 17 (BF) (F McNutsy) J Berry 9-0 J Carroll PIRATES GOLD (Mrs C Hawkings) M Heaton-Ellis 9-0 J Reid QUICK SILVER BOY (T Pearson) D Burcheris 9-0 M Roberts RUN ON REBEL (J Gatidn) P Cole 9-0 M Roberts RUN ON REBEL (J Gatidn) P Cole 9-0 J Williams STREPHON (Mark Tomploins Elice) M Tomploins 9-0 C Hodgson (5) WORLD EXPRESS (B Milman) B Milman 9-0 G Bacter YOUNG ABSALOM (G Savre) L Cottrell 9-0 Paul Eddery Zuno Warrior 7-2 Pligrim Bay. 4-1 Crusade, 5-1 Run On Rebel, 8-1 Prates Gold, (0-1 oth

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BETTING	: 11-4 Zunc	Warrior, 7-2 Pagrim Bay, 4-1 Crusade, 5-1 Run On Rebei, 6-1 Purstes Gold, 10-1 oth	HIS II
		1991; TRY LEGUARD 9-0 T Williams (10-1) W Carter 8 ren	
4.4	) NAC E	EVENTS AND EXHIBITIONS HANDICAP (£2,657: 7f) (20 runners)	
101 (4	0/11330-	SURREY RACING 264 (D.F.G.) (Heatview Ltd.) G Lewis 4-10-0 Paul Eddery	82
102 (18	122422	SALLY'S SON 17 (D.F) (W O'Gorman) W O'Gorman 8-9-10 Emma O'Gorman (5) &	99
103 65	250200-	SCOTTISH BAMBI 173 (W Kelly) R Hannon 4-8-9 R Perhem (5)	89
104 (12	000100-	DICKENS LANE 203 (D.F) (R Morecombe) R Hodges 5-8 T Thompson (7)	95
105 (7	13-0500	KING FERDINAND 32 (D.G.) (Apolic Racing) D R Tucker 5-9-7	65
400 (11	30040-0	HIGHLAND MAGIC 18 (D) (Miss N Carroll) M Fetherston-Godley 4-9-6 T Quinn	94
107 (17	855-06	TENDER MOMENT 8 (A Richards) C Brittain 4-9-6 M Roberts	89
108 (1	1 41028-D	SPRING TO THE TOP 14 (D,G) (G Jabre) J Payne 5-9-5	96
109 (9		NEROLI 26 (D,F) (G Meredith) A Jones 4-8-4 D Holland	98
110 (2	3052-61	PHARACH'S DANCER 8 (5) (J Devaney) E Wheeler 5-9-4 (5ex) F Norton (3)	91
111 (20	251414-	OLD COMRADES 162 (D,F,G) (J Boswell) L Cottrel 5-9-1 T Rogers	93
112 (8	103460-	SUGEMAR 227 (D.F) (B McEiney) J Toller 6-9-0	85
113 (19	j DO8-660	ERRIS EXPRESS 14 (B,C,D,F,G) (J Ruddy) K Ivory 7-8-13 M Wigham	95
114 (16	58400-0	FAYNAZ 38 (B,CD,F) (N Aboobaker) W Must 6-8-11 S Whitworth	91
115 (13	j 000180-	SUSANHA'S SECRET 175 (D,F) (Mass M Keley) W Center 58-11 G Center	99
118 (15	3100-04	PRISBOY 5 (B,D,F) (Collec Lid) P Blockley 56-10 G Hind	94 91
117 (10	n 55680-0	GREY ILLUSIONS 18 (J Rectiem) L Holt 48-10 N Adams	85 85
118 (14	) 000100-	SCARLET PRINCESS 288 (S) (D Philips) R Hodges 488 T Sprake (5)	97
119 (6	,	OURNZII MARTIN 46 (BF) (Monokithic Refrectories) D Haydn Jones 4-8-9 J Raid	94
120 (3	) 010000-	PREPARE 175 (CD.F) (J Nevide) R Holder 48-8 J Williams	
BETTING	): 7-2 Phans	oh's Dancer, 6-1 Quinzii Martin, 7-1 Selly's Son, 8-1 Spring To The Top, 10-1 others	i.

		COU	RSE SI	PECIALIST	S		
TRAINERS H Cocil P Chapple-Hyam J Dunlop H Charton J Genden M Stoute	Warners 12 3 10 3 4 6	Runners 36 10 41 13 18 28		JOCKEYS J Carroll Pat Eddery W Carson G Duffield M Floberts M Halls	Winners 10 16 24 5 8 6	Rides 32 58 103 25 43 34	Per cent 31 3 27 6 26 1 20 0 18 6 17 6

#### 3.40 RMC GROUP NOVICES HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs £1,475: 3m 100yd) (8) #IASE (Amarieurs 21,473 on 100) on 7,1143 N Wilson (7) 13 Many A SUP 24 (D.F) T Wallerd 7-1143 N Wilson (7) 4 OCEAN DAY 346 (7) E Hoywood 9-11 12 Mrs A Ferred (3) 2 0012 ONCE STURG 10 (5) W A Supplement 6-11-12 J Greenest 2 0011 POLITICAL ISSUE 15 (D.S) T Robson 8-11-12 P Johnson (7) 8 1284 POLYGONUM 10 (J.G.S) W Burnet (6-11-12 W Burnet (7) 6 FLHS THE RED ONE 17 (G.D.F) P Hele, B-11 12 S Swiess 7 60/P THOSUMEN 17 G Grad 3-11 12 S Whitaber 77 8 48-F WILLOW HOLDING 56 Ms A Figher 7 11-12 S O'SWING S O'SWING A 15-11-12 S 9-4 The Red One, 11-4 Many A Stip 7-2 Polytical Issue, 7-1 Once Stung, 8-1 Ocean Day 12-1 others 4.10 MONTAGU HANDICAP HURDLE

#### Brian Beel: 3.40 The Red One. GOING: GOOD (GOOD TO SOFT PATCHES) SIS (£5,247 2m 4f) (9) 1 5/P- ISLAND SET 555 (G.S) Mrs. S Bramol 10-11-11

2 1350 RANDOLPH PLACE 18 (D.C.S) G Richard 11-11 G McCourt 2.40 YORKSHIRE EVENING POST NOVICES HURDLE (£1,730: 2m) (15 runners) 3 U2F4 BREAK THE CHAIN 125 (CD.F.G.S) W A SIE(Photoson 7 (0.11 J Supple (7) 4 1183 MR WOODCOCK 60 (D.F.G) Mrs G Revelo; 7-16-10 1 US22 MOUNTAIN KINGDOM 80 (BF,F) N TINKER 6-11-3 5 -320 COGENT 19 (F) A Turnod & 10-7 D Form (7)
6 F042 ELDER PRINCE 10 (C.F.S.) M H EASIERLY \$-10-1 7 0021 KANNDABIL 1 (B.C.S) N Tinklet 5-10-1(6e) 8 1400 JEASSU 19 (D.F.G.S) A J Wilson 5-10-0 B Clifford (3) 9 133P DERRINORE 19 (D.S) J Jennson 7-10-0 A Orangy 11-4 Elder Prince, 4-1 Karındabil 5-1 Cogeni, 13-2 Mr Woodo 8-1 Jeassu, 10-1 Rendolph Place 12-1 others

4.40 crossley handicap chase (2,976: 2m 4f 100yd) (7)

#### 3.10 INGMANTHORPE HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,574: 3m) (13)

1 311P BONANZA 14F (F.G.S) Mrs G Reveloy 5-12-0 N thougs (6)
2 P082 MONTAGNARD 18 (8) Mrs G Reveloy 5-11-10 Bradley
3 P080 OOM EDNO 19 (B.G.S) M Avison 9-11-9 Gradley
4 111U SPOCTURE BREY 19 (CD.F.G.S) Mrs G Reveloy
5 2840 COSMIC DANCER 22F (8) A Hdc 5-11-5... A Carrolf BS-0 JAUNTY GRG 15 (CD.F.G.) Wr A Suppneson 8-11-4 A Lamsoh(7)
7 PFF3 GOSPEL ROCK 11 (F.S) P Caher 8-11-5...

7 PFFS GOS/PEL ROCK 11 (F.S) P Caiver 8-11-2 A Lamach(7)
8 2413 RIDWAN 92 (C.S) K Morgan 5-11-0 A 8 Smith
8 3404 GLENFORM 10 (B.C.S) M 0 74e8 6-10-13 L Wyer
10 0021 HODFORM WONDER 95 (F) D Eddy 5-10-12
11 6698 COLITURE STOCKINGS 10 (F.G.) J Mackus 8-10-10 7-2 Brockuns Grey, 4-1 Clanform, 5-1 Noctions Wonder, 13-2 Bonanza, 8-1 Gospel Rock, 12-1 Montagnard, 14-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS: G Richards, 28 winners from 126 runners, 22.2%; Mrs V Aconiey, 4 from 18, 22.2%; K Morgan, 10 from 48, 20.0%; J Medical, 5 from 25, 19.25; M H Eartistry, 25 from 132, 18.9%; Mrs G Reveley, 12 from 84, 18.8%; JOCKEYS: G McCourt, 20 winners from 79 ridse, 25.3%; L Wyer, 24 from 112, 21.4%; A S Smith, 5 from 25, 20.0%; M Dwyer, 29 from 175, 16.5%; G Bradley, 7 from 43, 16.3%; Mr S Swiers, 7 from 44, 15.9%.

1 3464 SOUTHERN MINSTREL 55 (D.G.S) W.A. Stephonson 9-12-0 K. Johnson 2 4U21 GOOD TONIC 32 (D.F.G.S) T Emerington 9-12-3 3 1341 HOWE STREET 18 (D.F.G.S) J Johnson 9-11-7 4 3F02 ARMAGRET 10 (CD.F.G.S) B Wilkinson 7-11-4 5 1316 PEANUTS PET 17 (F.G.S) T Tate 7-11-2 . L Wyer 6 P513 WAIT YOU THERE 38 (D.F.G.S) H Alexander 7-10-0 7 45PP PACIFIC SOUND 38 (CD.G.S) Mrs 8 Smith 9-10-0 5-2 Good Tonic, 3-1 Peanute Pet, 9-2 Armagrel, 6-1 Wait You There, 8-1 Howe Street, 12-1 others

#### 5.10 BILTON NOVICES HURDLE (£1,842: 2m) (16)

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1 2411 MRS JAWLEYPORD 12 (D.S.) C Smith 11-3 Mr M Ranger
2 240 GALLATIEN 18 (B.D.P) G Rionarde 11-2. M Dwyer
3 OP BELARIUS 8F R Barr 10-10
4 0 CATHERINE'S LAD 38 J Glover 10-10 S D Wellerme (5)
5 0 CHEFS BABU 58 R O'LBRY 10-10. L Wyer
5 CORPORATE TYPE 111F G Keby 10-10. Mr S Lyons (7)
7 80 DOUGLAS RIDGE 7 Mrs K Tutty (0-10. Mr N Tutty) 7 60 DOUGLAS RIDGE 7 Mrs K Tutty 10-10... Mr N: 8 322 EXPLOSIVE SPEED 56 (SF) M Hammond 10-10 D Bendi D Bentley (7)

B 054 KIDLAW 50 W A Stephenson 10-10 Mess P Robuson

10 654 LATOSKY 13F J Norion 10-10 Mess P Robuson

11 LOOK WHO'E TALKING Mass P Hall 10-10 Mess P Mariey

12 F63 OWLANDISH 7 M C Neel 10-10 Mess P Mariey

13 P0P BREAKFAST RIDE 29 B Thornley 10-5 Mess P Mariey

14 00 PAVERS GOOD SHOWS 111 M Brittain 10-5 S Turney

15 305 RIDN MILADY 3 Mrs S Austin 10-5 Mess D Wildhinson

16 P0 TV PTTCH 55 D Lee 10-5 Mess P R Gantity

# THUSTOXETER:

MANDARIN 2.20 Buonarroti. 2.50 Salcombe Harbour. 3.20 Lake Teereen. 3.50 Arctic Teal. 4.20 Mount Argus. 4.50 Two Step Rhythm. 5.20 Row Rec.

THUNDERER 2.20 Rufus. 2.50 TILDEN PARK (nap). 3.20 Lake Teereen. 3.50 Celtic Trust. 4.20 Farranrory. 4.50

Two Step Rhythm. 5.20 Row Ree. Richard Evens: 2.20 Buonarrori.

Brian Beel: 4.20 Crown Eyeglass.

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2.20 BURTON BEST BITTER NOVICES HURDLE (£1,889: 3m) (16 runners) 1 211F RUFUS 18 (D,S) J Edwards 6-11-10,... 2 2460 MARINERS SECRET 26 R Brazingio

3 6198 ARD TMATCH 17 (V.O.Q) A Fotber 7-11-4... G Lyons 4 128 BUONARROTT 11F (BF.S) J Cid 5-11-4... T Grandham 5 0251 VICTOR BRAVO 10 (3) N Gaselee 5-11-4... A Maguire 6 1 WHY RUN 41 (5) D Marray Smrth 7-11-4.... J White 7 2080 MISTRESS ROSS 76 (F.G) G Thomas 9-10-13 Bridgwater (3) 8 2221 MY CHARA 17 (V.G) P Seven 6-10-13 136P WOODLAND FLATHER TO THE PROPERTY OF COPPORE TO WRITE 5-10-12 PMcDermot.

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# 2.50 TAVERN TABLE SELLING HANDICAP CHASE (£1,913: 2m 4f) (10)

HANDICAP CHASE (£1,913: 2m 41) (10)

1 41P6 SALCOMBE HARBOUR 39 (B,D,Q,S) P Nicholis
2 305A THE THROW 31 (B,S) W Jenis; 7-11-12 Mr T Jeniss (f)
3 18P9 SHARINSKI 151 (B,D,F) B Juckes 5-11-2. A Meguine
4 PF03 PALACE GARDENS 8 (D,F) J Bradley 8 11-0. D Tegg
5 550U SCARLET EXPRESS 8 (V,G) C Beever 5-10-13. T Jervis
7 6-95 TILDEN PARK 14 J Parkes 6-10-13. T Jervis
7 6-95 TILDEN PARK 14 J Parkes 6-10-13. M Servens (7)
9 P-0P RED SCORPION 40 T Caldwell 8-10-13 Peter Caldwell
10 -1440 SHEDARBO 13 D McCan (7)-13 Mr D McCan (7)
4 Setzember Harbour, 7-2 The Throw, 5-1 Palace Gardens, 6-1 Scar-9-4 Secombe Harbour, 7-2 The Throw, 5-1 Palace Gardens, 6-1 Scar let Express, 8-1 Shannelo, 10-1 Tilden Park, 14-1 others.

3.20 OWD RODGER HANDICAP HURDLE 1,966: 2M 41) (3) 1 PC30 OLD DUNDALK 19 (B.G) D Marcey Smith 8-11 10 J White

2 8100 LAKE TEEREEN 19 (D,F,G,S) R Rowe 7-11-8 T Grandum 3 (20- MOSSGARA 405 (CD.G.S) Mrs J Pitmen 7-11-6 M Bowlby 4 S1F5 MARINERS MIRROR & (BF.O.S) M Soudance F-10-12 S MARINER 5 F000 OLVESTON SS (BF,F.G.S) P Nichols 8-10-6 6 3835 VOLCANIC DANCER 38 (C.F.S) J Macke 6-10-0 7 002F VISCOUNT TULLY 41 (9F.S) C Jackson 7-10-0 R Str R Stronge 8 FF3F SILLIAN 31 (G,S) Mrs A Howiti 10-10-0 ... S J O'Netz 9 U441 PLEURCONE 32 (F.G,S) K White 10-10-0... T Wall

3-1 Fleuroone, 7-2 Lake Teeteen, 4-1 Old Dundalk, 5-1 Moss-para, 7-1 Markers Mirror, 8-1 Olveston, 10-1 others.

#### 3.50 MARSTONS PEDIGREE HANDICAP

94 Mrs Jewisylord, 7-2 Explosive Speed, 5-1 Galleteen, 8-1 Latosh, 10-1 Chiefs Babu, 12-1 Kidlaw, 16-1 others

CHASE (£2,892: 3m 2f) (7) 1 PSSP YAHOO 38 (V,F,G,S) J Edwards 11-12-0 N Williamson 2 PPPO JELUPE 10 (D,F,G,S) R Sendys Clarks (0-11-2 3 3046 MISTER CHRISTIAN 27 (B,D,G,S) P Natrolis 11-10-9 4 1U10 ARCTIC TEAL 19 (B.F.G.S) O Sherwood 8-10-5 5 3542 HE WHO DARES WINS 11 (F.G.) W A SIEDNINGSON 8-10-5 C Grant 6 U-38 ROYLE SPEEDMASTER 17 (G) J Edwards 8-10

7 0254 CSLTIC TRUST 39 (S) J McConnoche 5-10-0 S McNell 9-4 He Who Dares Whit, 11-4 Arctic Test, 5-1 Celte Trust, 11-2 Yahoo, 7-1 Mistar Christian, 16-1 Royle Speedmaster, Jakape

### 4.20 LOW C HUNTER CHASE

#### 4.50 MERRIE MONK NOVICES CHASE (£1,902-2m 4f) (11)

1 -QP1 MARTIN'S FRIEND 34 (D.S) D Bloomfield 9-11-7 7 GPPS BERKANA RUN 17 B Cambridge 7-11-0
3 00P FLYING FIGARD 27 h Burke 6-11-0 ... S Carbet 4 0-00 HAPPY DEAL 27 D McCam 6-11-0 ... S J O'Ned 5 GPSP HOT COMPANY 39 (V.BF.G) P Bevan 7-11-0 T Wall 8 2-0P LE BUCHERON 140 (F.G) M Ryan 6-11-0 M Richards 7 60PO PAT CULLEN 10 (B.S) Mas H Kreght 7-11-0
8 POPP TUDOR RIDGE 38 F Barton 7-11-0

8 POPP TUDOR RIDGE 38 F Berton 7-11-0 . . . 9 138F TWO STEP RHYTHM 56 J McConnocine 5-11-0 10 3F36 FAST CRUISE 28 (G,S) £ Owen jun 7:10-9 R Stronge 11 /P SKY POPPY 35 N Twiston-Davies 8:10-9 46 Martin's Friend, 4-1 Two Step Athythm, 5-1 Fast Cruse 6-1 Hot Company, 12-1 Berkana Run, 14-1 others

#### 5.20 w H MILNER FINE WINES NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,784 · 2m) (16) 1 STRATH ROYAL 35 (G) O Brennan 6-12-1

OF ROW REE 39 P Hobbs 4-11-9 Mr M Hourigan (7)
BIDDLESTONE BOY D Barrons 5-11-8 Mr M Hourigan (7)
BIDDLESTONE BOY D Barrons 5-11-8 Mr M Hourigan (7)
BLACK BUGLE K Baley 5-11-8 Mr T Balley
SALOR JIM D Bloot 5-11-8 Mr R Davis (7)
VALNAU M Pipe 5-11-8 Mr R Davis (7)
VALNAU M Pipe 5-11-8 Mr F Jumina (1)
ASCOT DELPHINUM D Nicholson 5-11-3 W Marsips (7)
JARRETTSMISSWAPLEY C Poptem 5-11-3
MANDYS SWORD K Morgan 5-11-3 Mr R Favent (7)
RAP-BLL Mrs A Hewitt 5-11-3 Mr S Wyree (7) 9-4 Row Ree, 3-1 Strath Royal 5-1 Valrau, 6-1 Black Bugle, 8-1 Ascol Delphimum, 10-1 Biddlestone Boy, 14-1 others

**COURSE SPECIALISTS** TRAINERS: M Pipe, 31 winners from 90 runners 34 4% J Old, 3 from 10, 30 0% N Twisten-Davies, 6 from 22, 27 3%, M Ryan, 3 from 12, 25 0%; O Sherwood, 7 from 32 21 9%, K White, 3 from 15, 20 0% JOCKEYS: M Foster, 3 wanners from 10 rides, 30 0%, N Williamson, 8 from 32, 25 0%, C Grant, 5 from 33, 15 2%, Mr D McCan, 3 from 23, 13 0%, D Tegg, 8 from 68, 11 6%, J Osborne, 7 from 62, 11 3%

#### Don Valentino back to form

DON Valentino's up-and- Don Valentino, for whom two down season took a turn for miles is on the short side. the better with victory in the He cruised upsides the Welsh Champion Hurdle at leader approaching the last

Chepstow yesterday.

Twice disappointing since decided the issue. Mrs Pitspringing a 33-1 surprise at man's second string. Dis Warwick in February, Jenny Pitman's gelding swept back to form when beating Gay Ruffian by three lengths.

Gay Ruffian quickly had ite, was never travelling well and trained by the second string. Dis man's second stri

his rivals stretched but the and trainer Nigel Tinkler tactic played into the hands of reported him "over the top."



RUGBY LEAGUE

St Helens stage

fine recovery at

Naughton Park

By KEITH MACKLIN

NERVES would have been in

shreds at Naughton Park yes-

terday had not news filtered

through early on that Hull

Kingston Rovers had lost to Bradford Northern. Widnes

McKenzie got the first home try when a cross-kick by Eyres struck Griffiths and rebound-

kicked the goal, but St Helens

replied quickly when Sullivan

burst down the left and passed inside for Dwyer to

score, Loughlin adding the

goal.
Widnes then took complete

charge against scrappy de-

ereux pulled out of two tackles

to score and again added the

goal.

The third Widnes try was a.

peculiar and controversial af-

fair: two separate mini-brawls

were taking place near the St

Helens posts when McKenzie

dived over. The referce allowed the try before consult-

ing a touch judge and send-ing Sorensen, of Widnes, and

Dwyer, of St Helens, to the

sin-bin. Devereux added the

goal to McKenzie's second try

when Holliday dropped

# Orrell stay in championship picture

BY DAVID HANDS

LANCASTRIANS have enjoyed their weekend but not so much at the Stoop Memorial ground yesterday, per-haps, as across at Twickenham on Saturday. True, Orrell maintained their pursuit of Bath for the Courage Clubs Championship but not to the extent required or that their domination warranted.

They are now on the same number of league points as Bath but have a vastly inferior points difference; should both clubs win on Saturday. against Saracens and Nottingham respectively. Orrell will need to do so by a landslide against a team desperate to avoid relegation and find-ing, in the last month, something like their best form.

Still, they remain in the frame thanks to their victory by a try and two penalty goals to a try and a penalty. That is more than can be said of Harlequins, who, less than a fortnight away from the Pilkington Cup final, are uncertain about their best half-back combination and look a long way from the form which will be required to beat

Yesterday they looked tired, which is hardly surprising after the season some have had. Yet they remain capable of touching heights and the try they scored, four minutes from the end, was by far the best work a heavy-legged game produced.

Orrell dominated the first half to such an extent Harlequins did not reach their 22 until 37 minutes had gone. Yet Orrell turned round only 3-0 in the lead, showing a capacity to self-destruct that would have exasperated Des Seabrook, their coach,

Playing the game in or around the Harlequins 22,



blance of a threat, or to the hard-working Fielden, who forced the England partner-ship opposite to defend hard.

Strett could kick only one of three penalty attempts and a dropped goal effort went wide. Thresher, standing in for Pears, missed his only first-half penalty attempt but succeeded just after half-time to increase Orrell's frustration. However, Strett, profiting from the excellent approach work of Morris and Ashurst, popped over an easy penalty and when Fielden created a try for Taberner, furnowed brows were eased.

Not for long. Strett kicked straight to Thresher and the full back burst upfield and found Halliday. The centre fed Wedderburn and kept running to take the return for a delightful try. Orrell packed down in front of their own posts going into injury time, but before the forwards had settled time had run out.



#### Followers' Pilgrim benefits as depleted mettle is put to test

BY MICHAEL AURTON

EXTRA experience and

IF RUGBY dubs are to persist in billing matches of this nature as first-class fixtures. then they may have to beware the growing interest of the trades descriptions officials.

Northampton.

To pay £6 for a seat in the stand at Franklins Gardens and then £1 for a pro-gramme, which revealed Llanelli had brought a virtual under-20 side, seems a rank abuse of honest supporters.

It was not as if Northampton offered anything resembling a full-strength side themselves. They had no more than four first-team regulars but were overwhelmingly physically superior.

Lianelli did not have a member of Saturday's league team and the Midlanders did much as they pleased. With a 24-0 half-time lead, Northampton could indulee in sianstick humour ten minutes after the restart, Packman sending a straightforward penalty hopelessly wide. With league matches still

on everyone's minds in England and Wales, clubs can justify resting players. But charging full prices to supporters who had no way of knowing the devaluation of the game until too late surely cannot be right.

It was a dire day in every respect for Llanelli. Six minutes after half-time, their kit manager, Peter Thomas, who was running the line, was involved in a heavy collision with two players as they chased a ball out of play, and broke a leg. Later on, they lost Evans through injury, Rutherford taking his place.

Northampton scored four tries in the first half and went two better in the second to win by five goals, five tries and three penalty goals to a goal. Tries by Beal and Grif-fiths within eight minutes foretold the rout.

In the second half, the Northampton backs had it all their own way. Beal's second try was a fine individual effort but long before the end it had

become an expensive farce. SCORERS: Northampton: Tries: Beel (2), Griffiths (2), Packman (2), Ward, Baylleki. Griffiths (2), Packamen (2), Ward, Bayfield, Peack, Moss. Conversions: Dewardn (2), Peackamen (3). Pennsity goels: Descript (3), Lianelli: Try, Walse, Conversion: Richards, NACHTHAL TOILE B. Wast J. Gillian, P. Packamen, N. Beel, J. Moffett; M. Deward (rep: P. Moss), B. Tayfor, G. Baldwin, P. Poworth, C. Allen, I. Knox, M. Bayfield, J. Phillips, H. Tebbutt, P. Pask.
LLANELLE M. Lewis; M. Ainut, H. Devies, J. Jones, J. Hopsiens; A. Richards, S. Watse, M. King, C. Yowniey, S. Thomes, J. Morgan, P. Bert, D. Evans (rep: L. Rutherford), J. Phillips, A. Press. orea: F Howard (Liverpool).

sides produce scrappy play to Leicester's one of each. The

forwards enabled Wasps to A try finally emerged after draw clear of Leicester in the 52 minutes when Wasps second half of a moderate turned their possession adgame at Sudbury yesterday. vantage into a vigorous, for-A match between depleted teams produced 32 penalties, ward move involving Cassidy. the outstanding Harris. together with 15 points for Steve Pilgrim, the Wasps full Ewings and Molloy. Domergue, a French wing, back, who topped 200 points who plays for Nice, marked for the season. his debut with a blind-side

Leicester are probably four players short, in key positions. Wasps, remarkably, were of a title-challenging side, a situation they will doubtless awarded only two put-ins at scrums in the first half. Both attempt to rectify in probably times penalties were awarded, one to each side, and a the busiest summer yet for club transfers. running game took a long In league and cup terms.

Wasps have a stronger squad, but the difference in this Domergue's try stemmed from only his second pass of match was indistinguishable the game. Wasps' forwards were more coordinated as a with mostly reserve teams performing on a firm pitch. unit and Kinsey and Harris Wasps fielded five regular deprived Leicester of precious choices and four newcomers.

first-half penalty count was loose, compared with the earlier tendency to keep the ball tight. Despite multiple errors, 22, equally shared, with two es each from Pilerim and Harris, who amassed 23 winning meant much to points in Leicester's 39-18 win in the corresponding fix-21 defeats.

After 66 minutes, Wright, the Wasps scrum half, was able to put the ball into a scrum for the first time without either side conceding a penalty.

Scrace, a promising centre, launched Pilgrim expertly to the line for Wasps' second try and a namewhat irritable second half ended with Delaney and Barkes, the opposing hookers, wrestling on the ground.

Harris.
LESCESTER: A McCaddan; T Reyrolds, D. Wigley, A Werwood, P Sandford: J Harris, J. Hamilton; G. Rowstree, M. Bartess, D. Garforth, J. Murphy, T. Smith, P. Grant, W. Dallas-Las, M. Grant.

# Kirwan and Fox dropped

BY DAVID HANDS

NEW Zealand yesterday dropped two legends of All Black rugby from the team to play the World XV in the second centenary international in Wellington tomorrow: Grant Fox, his country's leading points-scorer (531. from 36 internationals) and a fixture in the team for the last five years, and John Kirwan. the powerful wing first capped in 1984 who stands fourth in the all-time list of try-scorers with 30 from 46 internationals. Graeme Bachop, the scrum

half who has played regularly since 1989, also goes after the 28-14 defeat suffered in Christchurch last Saturday. Four new caps are selected, two from Auckland - Eroni Schmidt - believed by his Clarke at centre and Ant countrymen to be the best Strachan at scrum half -- as hooker in the world - who is well as the North Harbour part of a formidable front lock, Blair Larsen, and the row, alongside Federico Mendez, the young Argentine prop. and Ewen McKenzie, Otago flanker, Jamie Joseph. Several of the vacancies Australia's World Cup final arise in the pack because of injury to such as Ian and tight head.

injury to such as Ian and Michael Jones, and Richard Turner. Nevertheless, of the XV that concluded the World Cup in October only five remain as Laurie Mains, the new coach, proceeds with the introduction of new blood, which he might have done before last weekend were it not for conservatism.

Five of the six South Africans with the World party will play tomorrow, including Uli Sunser (Austral), 3 Measure (Austral), 5 Measure (Counter), Phardson (South Anta), Phardson (South Anta), Phardson (South Anta), Phardson (South Anta), Phardson (Austral), Shaper (Austral),

# Easter lour of Wales are numbered. After the glory and colour of Saturday's league affair against Llanelli, there

was a bedraggled air at St Helens, as if those who could not gain entrance on Saturday turned up yesterday instead. By accumulating the highest score in the history of the fixture of four goals, seven tries and a penalty goal to two goals, the Barbarians seemed to say that this is what the crowd is likely to miss..

But it was all meaningless. Swansea only retained one of Saturday's players - Ian Buckett, at prop - to play against what the programme referred to as their "peerless" opponents. To deserve the epithet peerless they need better fixtures than this.

of the way and Newport ahead of them, three demanding fixtures in seven days was thought too much for the home team. The Barbarians, on the other hand. have encountered their own



# England close in on junior grand slam

By MICHAEL STEVENSON

ENGLAND moved closer to a junior grand slam when they won the 18 group international 12-9 against the powerful French side at Billancourt, near Paris, on Sunday.

Neither team scored a try. Jon Ufton kicked two penalty goals in the first half to keep England level at 6-6 by the interval, while the French

Richard Doutte, whose father played at centre for the senior . side some years ago.

given a torrid last ten minutes but another two penalties by Ufton to one by Doutte, and some wonderfully brave tackling, earned them victory. England's next match is against Wales at Doncaster on

Saturday. That victory followed an unconvincing success over a tough, combative Ireland second himself.

side at Bedford last week. Ireland won virtually every lineout in the first half thanks The English backs were to sterling work from Jeremy Davidson, Rory Coveney and the game's outstanding forward, Anthony Foley.

However, the try-count was 2-0 in England's favour and the Irish seldom looked like scoring. Neil Ryan, the England stand-off half, made the first try for his partner, Andy Gomarsall, and added the

Earlier. England's 16 group team gave a sparkling demonstration at Luton, where they ran up a record score, 32-4, against Italy. Playing in heavy rain

against powerful, although

tactically naive opposition, the brilliance of the England team bodes well for the future. Their outstanding performers were the full back. Matthew Knowles, stand-off half, Robert Ashforth and fianker, Jeffrey Roberts.

# great tradition difficulties in raising their teams over this Easter period

BY GUIALD DAVIES

Since the days when

Swansea scorn a

Penarth and, then, Newport HARD though it is to believe and harder still to say it, but the days of the Barbarians' the value has been in decline. Both the Barbarians and Swansea committees are locked in debate - perhaps Cardiff's too - as to what the future holds for the tour. In an increasingly crowded season the fixtures may have to be positioned elsewhere. A devalued game, as was seen yesterday, does nothing to enhance the reputations of ei-ther club. After Saturday's glorious victory to lose by yesterday's record score di-

minished Swanses. Rugby in this country needs the singular flavour and approach that the Barbarians have. But not with the state of this Easter tour and the complacency present yesterday. Even the laws were flouted. Buckett started the game and was replaced by Colclough at half-time, only to return as a replacement

With Llanelli's obstacle out instead of Mike Morgan. This will not do. The Barbarians 17-point lead at half-time came from trys by Back, Woodland and Stanger with Shiel converting one and kicking a penalty. The match had more in common with touch rugby in the:



SWANSEA: RWINNER: C Piggs, M Keylon R Mynolit, B Taylor: S Jores (rep: Colologis), R McBryde, M Morger, D Morgen, A Danie, D Cau-chill, L Islands, Davies,

BARBARIANS: B Budey (Welestheid; T Stanger (Hemici; rep: G Cheer (Hawick); R Macroam (Moseley), M. Woodfaird (Messley), M. Thompsorth; Northamp-lant; G Shiel (Matrose); S Bates (Wages); M. Lyast; (Moseley); C Hilmen (Bouth-Wales Police); M. Hayssahl (Oxford University); I British (Boucaster); M. Johnson (Lacester), K. Swords (Bouth, US); N Back (Leicsster; rep: N Machin (Policy); G Ersish (Vancouver Casts).

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Club matches

the goal. Widnes led 21-6 and all fears of failure to reach the play-offs were seemingly St Helens, already comfort-

ably assured of second place in the premiership, had other ideas. Just before half-time, Connolly side-stepped his way through from the 22-metre line and Loughlin's goal made it 21-12 at half-time. In the second half, St Hel-

were thus assured of a preens took a grip on the game and allowed Widnes just one miership place, instead of sumbling out of the top eight more score, a penalty goal by as St Helens mounted a tre-mendous second-half rally in Devereux, Instead, they began to put together powerful attacking rhythm themselves and the Widnes defence wilted. a thrilling local derby.

At one stage of the first half.

Widnes led 21-6 and were playing with such spirit that a After Ward and Hunte had good result for them on Humberside seemed irrelevant:

been held on the line, St Helens moved the ball wide and Loughlin dived over and although he failed to land the goal, his team were now on top. Nickle and Griffiths combined to put Connolly over for his second try and then Nickle capped a strong display in the second row with an individual score he appeared to be knocked down near the Widnes 22, but the referee judged that the tackle had not been completed and Nickle got up to side-step two defenders and dive over. Loughlin was again on target and St Helens picked up two points, which make no difference to their final placing but which give them a useful boost for the play-offs.

### Featherstone slip down a division

PEATHERSTONE ROVERS after a gallant late fight, finally succumbed to relegation when Bradford Northern and Salford won their games yes herday while they went down held Trinity Rovers knew their fate when the after-

noon's results were anwould not lose by 88 points against Castleford in the evening kick-off to let them off-the hook. Northern wor 14-12 at New Craven Park against

Hull Kingston Rovers, who needed to win to overhaul Widnes in the premiership table. Rovers hit back from a 10-0 deficit softi. Northern hung on. Salford survived despite

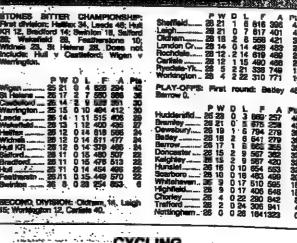
playing badly at Swinton through three trys from Adrian Hadley, the former Welsh international rugby union wing, one of them from a

. After the game, the Salford coach, Kevin Tamati repeated his assertion that the two Mancunian clubs should combine to form one to give a club whose resources might

timely interception when

be able to challenge Wigan and the game's other top In the second division, Old

ham found the task of getting a 39-point winning margin over Leigh far too difficult a target. Leigh, who are now promoted to the top division, held Oldham to a 3-2 halftime lead and, even though Warburton scored the first try for them in 59 minutes, Leigh came back splendidly to score two trys in three minutes through Woods and Donohue, Woods adding both goals, to win 15-14 and emphasis their right to



CYCLING

#### Butler impresses with 70-mile tandem turn By PETER BRYAN

Butler and Martin, at one

GETHIN Butler, the Londoner seeking a place in Brit-ain's Olympic road squad, was voted man of the race at the end of yesterday's final event in Scotland after he and the former professional, Neil Martin, had led for 70 of the 75-mile route.

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him clear with Martin and Gary Speight almost from the start but the trio soon became ... a tandem when Speight calledenough

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er, Chris Boardinan, had come to a half when his left crank libosened, and, speedy though the roadside repair was and with a loyal Peter Longbottom waiting to lead the chase back. Boardinan was not to make contact with the mains pack again.

point two minutes ahead of their pursuers, held on to finish the hilly course with 29 seconds in hand from Matthew Illingworth, who led in the sprint for third place.

Then started the calculations to determine the winner of the 260-mile race overall, with three riders, Simon Lillistone, Ian Wright and Simon Telford, sharing the same total time. Lillistone got the verdict by virtue of his fourth, tenth, twentieth and fourth stage places.

Butler's last day exertions lifted him to sixth overall. four minutes back. Boardman dropped to seventh. RESULT: Fourth stage (75 miles) 1. G Builder (Eng). Shr O4mmi Scheet; 2. N Martin "Distriction), at 1 sect. 3. M littingworth (GS Systell), et 4 chaec. Overall (280 miles); 1. S Littingworth (West Midlends), 1006-56; 2. 1 Widght (Eng), same time; 3. S Tailord (North Cast), some time.

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Cowdrey: blames umpires

undreds of children spend the Easter holispend the Easter toolday here flying their colourful kites in the centre of the racecourse, the kite-tails billowing like the palm-leaves in the gentle trade winds against an idyllic sky. Down at the Kensing-ton Oval, however, these are not such haleyon days. Sir Colin Cowdrey's election as

chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC) was met with less than unanimous approval, some Commonwealth countries being weary of the con-tinuity of English administration. For the past three days, he has encountered unbroken criticism of last October's regulation of one bouncer per batsman per over from every official of the West Indies Cricket Board of Control (WICBC), from the president, Clyde Walcott, downwards. The face of Test cricket has been changed. As Wessels, the

indomitable Hudson and Kuiper

have demonstrated in a Test

match historic in more ways

than one, the menace of West Indies' traditionally fearsome pace bowlers has been blunted. 'They [the WICBC] feel dis-gruntled with what we've done.

saying that it is aimed specifically at them," Cowdrey said yesterday. "Yet when I became chairman, we had to ask whether this (hostile bowling) was the game we wanted was it the game the players wanted to play and the spectators to watch. We felt, in a phrase, that it was not cricket, that it was another game, and it is our job to preserve the spirit

Cowdrey recalls being told by Les Ames that, on the way home from the Bodyline tour in 1933. he. Bob Wyatt and Herbert Sutcliffe agreed — Douglas Jardine and Gubby Allen having travelled separately — that bodyline should be buried for ever: but that Ames, who was England manager on Cowdrey's first West Indies tour as captain in 1967-8, had shrewdly ob-served that if ever big money

came into the game, the theory would inevitably rear its head says, "but I later had a long talk again. with Viv Richards, who told me

Things went wrong, Cowdrey reflects, because umpires did not exert the influence at their disposal; and captains were effectively dictating a policy for expediency. The old regime of shaking hands afterwards and going off for a pint had vanished.

During the career of Cowdrey

— a batsman noted for his ability against fast bowling - the game was gradually altering. When he first walked out against Lindwall and Miller, he had no added protection other than a towel strapped to his thigh. "I never had the impression they were going to aim at me," he recalls.

It was the commercial impact of the Packer series that changed everything, following as it did the 5-1 drubbing of West Ladies by Australia in 1975-6.

"I wasn't there," Cowdrey of the tacties of Thomson and Lillee and the racist taunting by

Greg Chappell's players.
The reaction of Richards and Clive Lloyd was that if this was now the game, they would re-spond with the strength avail-able to them, Holding and Roberts." The age of four fast bowlers had arrived.

owdrey dislikes the idea of legislation, but considers it was impossible to let the situation continue as it was. He believes that the regulation will help to bring back a game of skill and variation, will regenerate spin bowling, and will oblige the quicker bowlers to work for the level of skill obligated by Prion Statham achieved by Brian Statham, "when every ball was aimed at your off-stump bail and you had to play a stroke".

Is one bouncer per batsman per over too restrictive, Cowdrey wonders? Yet if the limit was increased to two, then in 30 overs with the new ball before hunch, 120 bouncers, given a single in each over, would become theoretically legitimate.

Cowdrey reflects that even Sir Donald Bradman, the master of the hook, disliked the ball aimed at the head against which it is impossible to play a proper stroke; and that Bradman would like to see the one-day rule applied to Test cricket - the ball delivered at the throat to be a noball and a run conceded.

"There has been too much of that for the good and the fun of the game," Cowdrey says. "May-be one bouncer only is too strict. think more about tactics, about bowling changes. We want to encourage self-regulation, in the way it exists in golf. One West Indies official, whom I will not

name, has admitted to me that the regulation will improve their bowlers,

This is not the view of the majority of fanatical Barbados spectators. Gladstone Holder has been sitting in the same seat behind the bowler's arm in the Challenor stand since 1955, and has not missed a Test except in 1989, when he was in Britain for an eye operation.

esterday, he said laughing hy: "The people who did this should be taken out and shot. Bowlers are not there as servants of the batsmen; they should be free to make the ball lift, and it's up to the batsman to deal with it." The irony is, of course, that had the regulation been proposed in the Seventies, then Australia, who as foundermembers of ICC with England have the power of veto, would have blocked the regulation. West Indies have not that right.

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Seeds struggle in world snooker championship

# McManus keeps young players in ascendancy

BY PHILYATES

THE prowess of snooker's emergent youth, illustrated so graphically by Peter Ebdon's remarkable 10-4 victory over Steve Davis on Sunday night, was again in evidence as Alan McManus beat Mike Hallett, the eighth seed, 10-8 in the first round of the Embassy world championship at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, vesterday.

McManus, voted young player of the year in 1991, has already proved on numerous occasions during his 20month professional career that he has a strong temperament. That, in addition to the inconsistency of his opponent, were the main factors behind the result.

Hallett, whose season has plunged into crisis since he captured the Belgian and Scottish Masters titles last September, trailed 7-3 but won two frames after facing hefty deficits before McManus made a break of 83 in the thirteenth and won the next on the black to move ur ahead with five to play.

This seemingly impregnable lead was eroded to only one frame, at 8-9, but Hallett's loose safety shot in the eighteenth ended the late rally. McManus held his composure to fashion a break off 44. He now awaits the winner of the first round match between Dennis Tay-lor and Mick Price, which concludes today.
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Well-earned break: Ebdon savouring success yesterday after his defeat of Davis professionals with a univer- my security blanket and now sity degree, passed this conthey are going well and my father is also fully recovered." pean Open champion. siderable examination of character by taking the next

"I haven't been totally committed to snooker like most of the other players," said Wych, who has missed a total of three years on the circuit establishing snooker clubs in Edmonton and his native Calgary, Another season-long sabbatical was forced upon him when his father underwent open-heart surgery.

"The clubs were set up as

three frames, the last on the

"He's just reached 82 and all he's interested in is reducing his golf handicap. Even without my problems, I've lacked dedication and desire.

unlike these youngsters, who all have the eye of the tiger." One of the youngsters in question, James Wattana, made light of his first appearance here. He compiled six breaks over 40, including a 61 in the last frame of the session, to move into a virtual-

RUGBY UNION

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Cardiff v Newport (7.15)....

First division

ly unassaliable 7-2 lead over Tony Jones, last year's Euro-

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Yesterday: J Wych (Carr) bt D Raymolds (Eng), 10-7. Frame scores (Mych first): 44-68, 92-1, 47-39, 80-1, 56-6, 81-50, 18-81, 37-38, 68-54, 72-40, 0-84, 25-74, 45-78, 0-15, 89-7, 67-23, 58-47. A McManue (Scot) bt M Hallett (Eng), 10-8. Frame scores (McManus Inst): 56-8, 69-30, 37-30, 39-20, 37-90, 82-30, 13-81, 70-24, 75-1, 57-32, 57-65, 58-68, 33-1, 61-57, 5-57, 8-68, 18-89, 74-1, J Wattana (Thai) leads T Jones (Eng), 7-2. Frame scores (Wattana Itsal): 54-51, 108-20, 9-1, 86-0, 10-104, 85-34, 52-22, 69-28, 95-17. N Foulds (Eng) leads J Ferguson (Eng), 4-2. Frame scores (Foulds Irrel): 102-48, 91-16, 93-21, 46-58, 25-58, 132-0, 69-29, 121-7.

WEIGHTLIFTING

# **Bulgarians** fail second

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONIHSHIP: Play-offs: First round: Brismley v Keigh-ley: Dewsbury v Donoaster (8.15), Huddersfald v Humlin,

Urine samples taken 48 hours earlier showed the lifters had used the weight-reducing diuretic, saluretin.

The six lifters include Petar Stefanov, the 1989 world champion in the 110kg category, and Plamen Bratoychev, the 1989 world

### Miandad to lead Pakistan on tour

By Alan Lee

THE Pakistan selectors appear to have accepted that Imran Khan really is not fit enough to tour England this summer. After weeks of conflicting claims, they an-nounced yesterday that Javed Miandad would lead the party, with Salim Malik as his rice-captain.

Imran, who said in the immediate aftermath of Pakistan's World Cup triumph that he would once more be delaying his retirement to bring his team to England, remains troubled by a shoulder injury that restricts his bowling but, at least in Australia, did not hinder his

Miandad has also had fitness problems with a back injury and a stomach condition but he has now, presum-ably, been given a cleaner bill of health than Imman.

A further twist to this sage cannot yet be ruled out. Scepticism was rife in the English game last week following the initial reports of Imran's secision and Graham Gooch, for one, said he still expected to see him here.

There may be more to the situation than meets the eye and discord between the strong-willed Imiran and the Pakistan board, not an un-common occurrence over the years, cannot be intel out.

For now, however, the job, belongs to Miaindad, with showed during the World Cup that his batting ability remains intact but with it in the past, has never captained Pakistan with the authoray that Imran wields so naturally. Miandad has won 11 of the 28 Tests in which he has been captain but his batting form has often deteriorated with added responsibility.

Malik endured a dreadful World Cup, never once show-ing the brilliant strokeplay of which he is capable, but the wisdom he gained from his summer of county cricket with Essex last year has no doubt been a factor in his promotioti.



Miandad: promoted

#### Hooper aiming to come back at Headingley

KENT are hoping that Carl Hooper, the West Indian allrounder, will have recovered from a broken finger in time to play for them at the end of. this month.

He has broken the fourth finger on his right hand, an injury that ruled him out of the Test against South Africa in Bridgetown.

Hooper is aiming to play against Yorkshire at Headingley in the Benson and Hedges Cup on April 30.

# Maynard's elevation is a snub to Morris

BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

HUGH Morris, who earned high praise for his leadership of the England A team in the Caribbean last month, is struggling to come to terms with being told he has been stripped of all responsibility within his county side, Glamorgan.

Morris, aged 28, was informed only last Thursday that his job as vice-captain had gone to Matthew Maynard. No explanation was apparatuly offered and the parently offered and the natural assumption that it is a move designed to get the best out of the gifted but erratic Maynard is no consolation to Morris. He is murt and bewildered and it is only being one of the nicest men in cricket that prevents him wanting to

Having become the county's youngest captain, at the age of 22, Morris gave up the post in 1989 because it was affecting his form. His handover to the experienced and respected Aian Butcher came with an implicit understanding that he might take on the job again in the future.

As Butcher is 38, that momeht might have been thought imminent, especially as Morris says he has re-

Gallian

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By Ivo Tennant THE PARKS (final day of three): Oxford University drew with Worcestershire

AS IS the modern way, both at The Parks and Fenner's,

Worcestershire opted for bat-

ting practice rather than en-

forcing the follow-on and recording a victory that only

Gallian's six-hour century

was highly encouraging to Oxford University. Six of Worcestershire's bowlers had

played Test cricket and they

were trying, make no mis-take. Resuming on 84, Gallian, a 20-year-old fresh-man, made 112 before losing

concentration against Illingworth just before lunch. On a pitch of no great pace

or bounce, Illingworth was given 45 overs. Four wickets

was his return, and thereafter

Worcestershire concerned

themselves only with batting

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The bowlers had their turn first, but Worcestershire lost

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Wisden would recall.

gained his appetite for cap-taincy and greatly enjoyed his duties in the West Indies. The appointment of Maynard, evidently made by Butcher himself, would seem to preclude the possibility and has probably sabotaged whatever pros-pects Morris might have had of captaining the senior England team in India next

Butcher is carrying an injury and Maynard, who remains suspended from Test cricket for touring South Africa, is likely to lead Glamorgan again today when they begin their Benson and Hedges Cup campaign at Durbam. His opposite number will be David Graveney, who

managed the unsanctioned tour but, interestingly, does not believe the bans should be lifted just yet. Graveney's priority will be

to retain perspective within his side following Sunday's debut win over Lancashire, fhough with so many old heads at his disposal, this should pose no great prob-

The University ground will house another big crowd, bowls off a full run-up for the doubtless hoping for more

savagery from Dean Jones, but the evocative feature of the game is the meeting of the old chums and ageing superstars, Ian Botham and Viv Richards. Not many years ago, when both were lording with Somerset, who could have foreseen such a reunion.

in such improbable colours? Botham's final contribution to Worcestershire was to help them win last year's Benson and Hedges Cup. Their defence begins with a home game against Derbyshire, but Sunday's defeat by Yorkshire has already indicated that their batting may now be thin, especially if Graeme Hick keeps his England

Lancashire, chastened by Sunday's upset in the northeast, have no respite. They are at Chelmsford against Essex. worthy favourites for everything and now strengthened by the inclusion of Neil

Middlesex ought to have no trouble beating the Minor Counties but attention at Lord's will focus on Angus Fraser, whose comeback takes another step when he

# Sylvester replaces injured Cowans

FENNER'S (final day of three): Cambridge University drew with Middlesex

THE captains went through all the right motions. John Crawley declared at his overnight total, 129 behind Middlesex, having agreed that there would be no follow-on in a match reduced to two days. Then Emburey de-clared at lunch with only two wickets down, setting Cambridge 253 to win in a possible four hours. But there was little chance of any heroics at this early stage on a low, slow pitch, and Cam-

It was a useful outing for Middlesex; for all but Norman Cowans, that is. A hard seven overs at Leicester on Sunday had clearly left their mark. Twice he ran up to deliver the first ball of the Cambridge second innings. twice he faltered and never. made it, limping off never to return. Our old friend the groin injury had apparently struck again.

bridge were content to survive

against a steady attack.

The absence of Cowans gave an extended opportunity to Steven Sylvester, a left-arm paceman playing in his second game for the county. He

moved the ball occasionally either way, picked up two Cambridge wickets, had John Crawley fighting for his life early in his stay of nearly three-and-a-half hours, and now has two more wickets

the first-class game. Crawley demonstrated his staying power, as had Brown for Middlesex. The only batsman to play with real freedom was Ramprakash. His 48 came in 69 minutes from 64 balls and included three sixes and four fours. MIDDLESEX: First unings 238 for 3 doc (M A Roseberry 101)

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OTHER SPORT SNOOKER: World championship (Shef-field). SPEDWAY: Second division Gold Cup: Millon Keyres v Exeter (7 30). TENNIS: Midland Bank Junior County Cup (Bournemouth).

#### drugs test Sofia: Six members of Bulgaria's national team were banned from competition for

two years yesterday after a second drugs test on them proved positive. The weightlifters, who include two former world champions, tested positive on Sunday following an initial, routine test by their coaches at the National Sports Medicine Centre before the European championships, which begin in Hungary tomorrow.

champion at 82kg. (Reuter)

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Worst defeat by London rivals in 39 years deals severe blow to Liverpool's confidence in lead-up to FA Cup final

# Powerhouse end to season too late for Arsenal

BY CLIVE WHITE

DEPOSED as champions Arsenal may be, but nobody can say that they have not finished the season like champions. Ask Liverpool. In taking their unbeaten run to 15 games, Arsenal yesterday in-licted on the Merseysiders their worst defeat in nine years and their heaviest at the hands of Arsenal in 39 years.

Such an achievement, such a performance, including not least an astonishing 50-yard opportunist goal by Anders Limpar, deserved some tangible reward other than just three points. Sadly for English football, as well as Arsenal, their powerhouse finish to the season seems likely to leave them just short of a European reward. Shef-field Wednesday have only to take two points from their remaining two games to make sure of securing the second Uefa Cup qualifying

How galling it must be for George Graham, the Arsenal manager, particularly in this sub-standard season, to see his team recover their pose just a few games too late to offer a more formidable defence of their trophy.

While it is Arsenal's scoring power which has monopolised the headlines in recent weeks, with 35 goals in those 15 games, the fact that

vesterday, however, could afford to bathe for most of the afternoon in the Highbury sunshine while the opposition's back four received the

It has to be said that Liver-pool invited the scoreline. Without the pace and quality of Mark Wright, it was asking for trouble against the speedy Ian Wright and Campbell for their defence to push up quite so far. It did not require hindsight to see that they would have been better off playing Molby as a

Yet whatever their tactics, it was obvious from the fourth minute, when Campbell turned Nicol and drew a fine save from Hooper, that Liverpool had their work cut out. Even for a squad of their strength it was spreading their resources a bit thin to try to cope without Grobbelaar, McManaman, Thomas, Burrows, and Whelan as well as Wright, Graham was honest

enough to admit as much. Nevertheless, it cannot have done anything for Liver-pool's confidence to be trounced so conclusively less than three weeks away from their FA Cup final date with Sunderland. Indeed, it could quite easily have been worse. Arsenal, four goals up after 47 minutes, were worth at least a couple more.

Arsenal must have known

than one goal on only one day when Hillier opened the occasion will not have escaped Graham's critical attention to detail. His defence though the manner in which he buried his shot, following a poor clearance to an equally poor corner, belied his inexperience.

The game was far too open to remain at 1-0 for long and there were no prizes for guessing who might concede the second. The superb diagonal pass from Limpar in the six-teenth minute picked out Wright in full flight and his finish was measured and assured. Yet even that goal was surpassed in terms of quality in the fortieth minute.

Limpar, receiving the ball just inside the Liverpool half courtesy of some sloppy play by the visitors, noticed Hooper several yards out of his goal and, with what Graham aptly described as "vi-sion, power and skill", he deliberately aimed a shot from some 50 yards perfectly over the goalkeeper's head.

It was hard for anyone to top that, including George Best, watching from the stands. But Merson and Wright did their best when they combined to catch Liver-pool's defence square once more and the latter scampered through for his 28th goal of the season.

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Upset result: Keane, of Nottingham Forest, falls foul of the Manchester.
United defence during the League leaders' defeat. Report, page 34

# Wednesday plan a sensational end to the season

Sheffield Wednesday .... 2 Norwich City....

By PETER BALL

SHEFFIELD Wednesday's return to the first division under Trevor Francis has been one of the success stories of the season. It could yet have a sensational ending.

Yesterday, they kept on course for a European place next term, defeating Norwich City even more comfortably than the scoreline suggests to retain third place. They could finish higher: Wednesday are now only two points behind Manchester United and their late run means that, with two games to play they, could overtake the top two.

"Stranger things have happened," Jimmy Armfield re-marked sagaciously at lunchtime, and, by 4.40pm. the possibility was looking considerably stronger.

"I'm not going to start talking about the champion-ship," Trevor Francis said, crossing his fingers and touching wood metaphorical-"but we are very interested in Manchester United's result. It is very unfair that Leeds are playing later and unfair on the bottom teams that Coventry are. Why should they have the advantage of playing when other teams have finished? Both sides know exactly what they have to do, and that is not

That does not suggest that the championship is com-pletely out of the Wednesday manager's thoughts, but, re-alistically, it still seems a long shot. To be talking in that

vein at all, though, is a testimony to what he has achieved after his unhappy first experience of management at Queen's Park Rangers. To be talking in that way

about a team that conceded six goals to Leeds and seven to Arsenal this side of Christmas also says a lot about the first division, none of it complimentary. Wednesday can play excellent football, but to compare Francis's squad with Arsenal. Manchester United or even Liverpool says much to the detriment of those three when their positions are compared.

Wednesday have three outstanding players, but sadly one of them. Hirst, was missing yesterday and as a result Wednesday lacked the usual cutting edge at the end of their attractive approach work. It hardly mattered against Norwich, who phinged unprotesting to their seventh successive defeat. The first goal took only ten

minutes to arrive, Nilsson pouncing to drive a low shot past Walton for his first goal for the club after Sheridan's cross had been deflected. If that was a good goal, the second had a stamp of genuine championship contenders, Worthington's cross-field ball being carried on by Wilson and Nilsson to reach Sheridan, who slid it past Walton at the end of a movement encompassing the

# to step

# Gloom deepens at Upton Park

West Ham United.....0

BY NICHOLAS HARLING

IT IS all over bar the mathematics now for West Ham United. Their first defeat by Crystal Palace almost certainmeans that the Premier League will start without of how Coventry City fare in

their remaining games. The goal difference of 17 between the clubs means that Coventry must lose their remaining fixtures, including Saturday's between the clubs, by big margins, and West Ham win theirs by huge scores. And that, on yesterday's discouraging evidence at Upton Park, is simply not

In their third successive

Barclays League

game without scoring. West Ham tested Nigel Martyn often enough from long range, chiefly through Keen, Slater and Dicks. But their lack of penetration let Palace off lightly. West Ham also helped dig their own grave, as Breacker, with an absurd back pass in the 26th minute, presented Bright with his 21st goal of the season.

off with a hamstring pulled in the act of his aberration, though popular opinion had it that he was probably too embarrassed to carry on. "It doesn't help the team's

confidence when you're giv-ing away bad goals. It just drains away," Billy Bonds, the West Ham manager, said. "We were very light-weight, and rarely looked like Against a Palace defence

that at best can be described as a resolute, West Ham failed conspicuously to capitalise on a series of free kicks on the edge of the visitors' penalty area. For con-

ceding two of them, upending

Slater, and bundling into Al-

len, Thorn was eventually booked, as was Alvin Martin much later following a skirmish with Bright. displayed all their usual lack of composure, but their upand-under, rough-and-ready tactics were far too formidable for West Ham, whose intricate approach work was

to get them nowhere.
Only Mitchell Thomas, Dicks and Martin emerged from West Ham's performance with reputations intact. The rest contributed so an error-strewn display in which Miklosko's part in Palace's second goal was typical. A left-wing cross from Gor-

don, making his debut, was cleverly played away from the goalkeeper, whose diving par-ry went straight to the lurking Coleman. With a precise volley. Coleman coolly dispatched his fourth goal in five games. But with 27 minutes still to play, West Ham's painful. There was still time for Miklosko to palm Bright's header onto the bar from McGoldrick's corner as West Ham's hopes, like the famous bubbles in their theme song. faded and died.

MCST HAM UNITED: I. Militaria; T Bruscher (sub: K Brown), J Dicks, S Polis, A Martin, M Thorons, I Bishop, K Keen, T Martin, C Alem, S Bushop, K Keen, T Martin, C Alem, S Bushop, K Mannier, CRYSTAL, PALACE: N Martine; J Hum-phrey, L Strandt, G Southquits, E Young, G Thorons, M Bright, C Coleman, E McGoldrick,

# Papin ready to say his goodbyes

MARSEILLES'S fourth successive French league championship will be Jean-Pierre Papin's farewell gift when he leaves for the richer pickings of AC Milan in the summer. Papin confirmed on Saturday what we all knew already - namely that he is to sign for Milan when the season ends to become a part of Silvio Beriusconi's fast-devel-

As Papin left the field after Marseilles's crucial, indeed probably decisive, 3-0 defeat of AS Mosaco on Saturday, he admitted in an interview that he would be signing for Milan. The official announcement, which by now is all but redundant, will be made before the club's last home of the season against Cames next weekend. Marseilles need only to draw that match to ensure they match

back-to-back titles. On Saturday, Goals by Boli, Pelé and, of course, Papin, with a penalty, dealt a body-blow to second-placed Monaco's hopes of bringing the championship to the Principality. They also banished sears, at least temporarished ily, of impending investigations

Papin's departure is not the only change earmarked for it's what is clearly going to be a certain turbulent close season for the

club. Other players - notably Waddle, Mozer, Pelè and Steven — are being lined up for transfers and a new coach is to take charge. Jean Fernan-dez confirmed yesterday that he would replace the veteran Belgian, Raymond Goethals, before the new campaign gets under, Fernandez is currently Goethals's assistant.

will not be very good news for the rest of Italy. The side is already the strongest in Serie A and has the championship within sight. A 1-0 defeat of internazionale on Sunday kept them six points clear of Javenna, who could only draw 1-1 at AS Roma.

Like any other coach, how-

ever, Fabio Capello was not ready to celebrate a Milanese title just yet. "I'll say that ord (championship) mathematically certain...Let us say that today

we took a big step forward we're getting close," he said. Borussia Dortmund regained pole position in the dver-changing Bundesliga with a 1-0 defeat of Stuttgarter Kickers. Last week's leaders, VIB Stattgart, slipped to a surprise 1-0 defeat against Bayers Munich while Entrackt Frankfurt, the third team in the championIn the Dutch league, two goals each from Vanenburg and Kieft inspired PSV Eind-hoven's 5-0 win over RKC Wanlwijk that preserved their lead at the top. Goals were the order of the

day in Spain as Real Madrid told Barcelona "anything you can do, we can do better". First Barcelona beat Albacete 7-1. prompting Johann Cruyff, their coach, to say: "Our victory is going to affect Madrid. It's as if we had won two-and-a-half points." Real, who played Español

24 hours later, responded by winning their game 7-0. Gheorghe Hagi, Real's Ro-manian midfield player, said afterwards: "It's true that Rarceiona's result influenced us a bit. We came out in the mood to score lots of goals." Real remain shead in the Spanish League.

Halifax Town v Lincoln

City (march No. 31), Maid-stone United v Mansfield Town (33) and Scarborough v York City (34) are also worth a trous on your coupon

in a week in which the fourth

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#### Luton on familiar territory

FOR Luton Town followers, this has been a typical season (Peter Robinson writes). The club that has turned survival. in the first division into an art form has given its supporters another year of frayed nerves before its decisive fixture, away to Notts County, on the last day of the campaign. However, even Luton will struggle to get out of trouble this time. Had they beaten Queen's Park Rangers at Loftus Road yesterday, the odds on escaping relegation again would have looked promising. However, they lost 2-1 after taking a second-half lead that was only erased with ten minutes left on the

When the referee, David Axcell. awarded a 64thminute penalty against Mo-Donald for climbing. Pembridge put Luton in front. They held on doggedly until Ferdinand brought Rangers level, and, four minutes later, were denied even a point when Ferdinand scored for a second time.

Southampton have long since secured their place in the Premier League next season, but that did not stop dissatisfied supporters chanting their complaints during a dour 1-0 victory at Wimbledon. Hall's 24th-minute goal was enough to earn the three points in front of another absurdly small crowd at Selhurst Park.

Tottenham Hotspur, now also safely out of trouble, lost I-0 at Oldham Athletic while Aston Villa, despite having Olney sent off before halftime, beat Cheisea 3-1 at

#### Play the numbers game IF EVERYTHING else has alight, but Hull are tipped to collect a point in their fight against relegation.

failed, you have nothing to lose by playing the numbers game. Coupon numbers 8, 23, 31, 33 and 34 have proved lucky for treble chance punters this year and there is every chance that they will reap more dividends on the penultimate Saturday of the English football season.

Match No. 8 features the second division fixture be-tween Barnsley and Wolver-

hampton Wanderers, two of the most inconsistent sides in the League. A draw looks the safest bet. Match No. 23 sees Exeter

City play Hull City. Neither has set the third division THERD DIVISION

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BOXING Change of

opponent for Eubank CHRIS Eubank will defend the WBO super-middle-

weight infe against a thiedchoice opponent John Janus at Manchester's G Mex Centre on Saturday Jar-WBO replaces a fellow has an Essen, who has an ear infection. Eubank, original opponent, Juan Carlos Gimenes, pulled out with a hand injury Jarvis in training for another from said "My seight is perfect and I couldn't be fitter This is the chance I be a seight and I chance I ch chance I have been waiting

Mickey Duff, Frank Bruno's promoter. Is to ask the British Boxing Board of Control to appoint two judges for Bruno's bout with Jose Ribilta at Wembley Arena FOOTBALL

# Davenport comes back to haunt Middlesbrough

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THE prospect of Sunderland and Middlesbrough again playing second division football next season increased after an entertaining North-East derby at Roker Park yesterday.

Defeat seriously dented Middlesbrough's hopes of automatic promotion, while victory diminished the possibility of demotion for the FA Cup finalists. To rub salt in Middlesbrough's wounds, the winning goal was scored by one of their old boys.

In the 22nd minute, Peter Davenport, who has not been prolific for Sunderland this ason, met and controlled Sampson's long ball on the right, then cut inside and struck a shot of the highest calibre from 20 yards with the outside of his right foot

Pears got his fingers to the ball but was powerless to prevent Davenport claiming the sort of goal he has rarely scored since his Nottingham Forest days. He was a disappointment during his time at Middlesbrough and this was

Stockport County...... 0

By Kerth Pike

LOU Macari, who has tasted

despair as manager of both

Swindon Town and West

Ham United, is on the verge

of savouring perhaps his

sweetest moment with Stoke

City. A draw at Edgeley Park

yesterday keeps the Potteries

Stoke City......

this season, but could not have been better timed from Sunderland's viewpoint.

Once ahead, the Cup finalists showed the pride and passion which had been conspicuously absent during a run of seven defeats in eight League games, Indeed, Dayenport came close to collecting a second goal in the second half following a dreadful mistake by Mohan. Gittens looked extremely vulnerable alongside him in the centre of Middlesbrough's

looked capable of adding to

Middlesbrough's initial formation - a five-man midfield and lone forward !failed to produce the desired Payton and Slaven off the bench in an ultimately forforn attempt to turn the heat on Sunderland.

Ripley, Middlesbrough's often dangerous wide player, had spent the first half being frustrated by Rogan, and it proved a similar story when e switched flanks and was stewarded by Kay after the

In front of defence, Sunderland were strengthened by midfield for his first full game since a serious groin injury in

His comeback increases the pressure for Wembley places and such competition is just what the Sunderland players require to dispel any linger-ing relegation fears in their last four second-division

SUNDERLAND: A Normen: d Key, G Owers, G Bennett, A Rogan, I Sampeon, P Bracewell, P Devenport, G Armstrong (auto: P Hardymen), W Hawke (sub: D Ruell), B

#### **Plymouth** closer to survival

prevented them taking all three points.

club firmly on course for promotion after two seasons in the third division. Victories in their last two ter City next Saturday and at Bolton on May 2, will ensure they do so without recourse to the play-offs. It would be as well for

Stoke are closer

to stepping up

Macari's slightly greying locks if they do. This all-ticket. all-tension match illustrated perfectly how even the most experienced players can buckle under pressure when the winning post is in sight.

With Macari urging his men forward in the second half, Stoke chose instead to surrender the initiative in midfield and bolster further their five-man defence. But for a number of timely interventions by Noel Blake, it was a tactic which could have proved their undoing. They had looked so much better in the first twenty minutes and got Macari's message in the closing stages, when they re-verted to attack and only a marvellous save by Edwards

Macari was happy enough afterwards. "People call this pressure, but I can tell you it's a lot worse when you are down the bottom of the table," he said.

Tension was apparent on the terraces, where police had to separate rival supporters in the first haif, as well as on the Ware were cautioned and several others were lucky to es-cape bookings in a game where chances were few and far between, althouygh Stein was twice denied by Edwards.

Stockport, whose one clear opening was blazed over the bar by Beaumont on the stroke of half-time, are still warm favourites to reach the play-offs but will be underdogs when they again take on Stoke in the Autoglass Trophy final at Wembley on May

STOCKPORT COUNTY: N. Edwards; A. Thorpe, J. Carstairs (sub: D. Miller), D. Frain, A. Barras, W. Williams, J. Gennon, P. Ward, K. Francis, C. Besumont, M. Lorem (sub: A. Barras) Francia, C Besumont, M Lorem (sub: A Presce). STOKE CITY: R Sincleir, S Foley, J Buller, D Kavan, N Bielka, L Sandiord, I Whight, C Beaston, M Stein, W Biggins, P Wars. Reference: J Wattley.

#### Burnley return to top

THE race for automatic promotion from the fourth division is down to four clubs (Keith Pike writes). Burnley returned to the top yesterday, despite being held to a 1-1 draw at home by Scarborough. The point was enough to take them ahead of Blackpool on goal difference after Blackpool had lost 2-0 at Rotherham, who moved into second place themselves as a

Mansfield are the only dub who can catch the three leaders. Barnet's ambitions were restricted to the play-offs by their defeat at Cardiff.

Torquay's defeat at Chester means they are almost certain to be relegated from the third division along with Darlington. At the other end, Fulham's 2-0 victory over Bournemouth saw them replace Bournemouth in the play-off zone.

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#### Change of opponent for Eubank

BOXING

CHRIS Eubank will defend the WBO super-middleweight title against a thirdchoice opponent - John Jarvis - at Manchester's G-Mex Centre on Saturday. Jarvis. ranked seventh by the WBO, replaces a fellow-American, Ron Essett, who has an ear infection. Eubank's original opponent, Juan Carlos Gimenez, pulled out with a hand injury.

Jarvis, in training for another fight, said: "My weight is perfect and I couldn't be fitter. This is the chance I have been waiting

Mickey Duff, Frank Bruno's promoter, is to ask the British Boxing Board of Control to appoint two judges for Bruno's bout with Jose Ribilta at Wembley Arena tomorrow.

#### **Best asks** Wood to intervene

DICK Best, the England rugby union coach, has asked Dudley Wood, secretary of the Rugby Football Union (RFU), to intervene over the question of whether Best can coach both country and club. The RFU's coaching subcommittee has intimated to Best that he cannot combine the one with the other.

Best has proposed that Wood write to the coaching committee putting his case before the RFU appoints the national coach up to the 1995 World Cup next month.

Pugsley's prize

Rifle shooting: John Pugsley, the Devon veterinary surgeon who won the Queen's Prize in 1988, yesterday took the grand aggregate of the Bisley Eastern meeting by two points after close competition over three days with Cliff Mallett, of Jersey.

#### Bout postponed

Boxing: The World Boxing Council cruiserweight title bout between Jeff Harding, of; Australia, and Christophe Tiozzo in Marseilles on April 24 has been postponed. Jean-Christophe Correges, Tiozzo's-manager, said the Frenchman was suffering from a stomach ailment.

Track record

Motor sport: Jim Crawford, the British driver, became the fastest man round the worldfamous Indianapolis track Crawford, from Bolton, lapped in his Buick-Lola at an average speed of 230.6mph in practice for next month's

Indy 500. Victorious start

Lacrosse: The England under-19 side defeated the English universities 10-7 at Timperley yesterday in the first of their warm-up games for the world championships in the United States this summer. Oliver Lester scored three goals and Daniel Hodgson and Matt Sunnell two

WHILE Newcastle United were pressing the self-de-struct button at the Baseball Ground yesterday, Plymouth Argyle climbed out of the relegation mire at the foot of the second division. In a meeting of two of the teams most under threat of slipping down, Plymouth overcame Oxford United at Home Park 3-1 to move to four places off the bottom, though they are

rison, a central defender. scoring his first goal for the club after 16 minutes. Although Bannister equalised in the 25th minute, Marker. the Plymouth captain, re-stored the lead and Lee extended it six minutes after the interval. Like Newcastle, Oxford hardly helped their cause when Magilton, their midfield creator and inspiration, was sent off in the first half for

There was no similar revival for Brighton, the bottom club, for whom visits to Hartlepool, Wigan and Exter in the third division beckon ever more strongly next season. A 4-1 defeat at Bristol Rovers weakened their hopes of es-

cape considerably yesterday.

Taylor, the forward signed recently from Cambridge United, was the architect of Brighton's downfall, scoring three goals to bring his total to seven in six games since his move to Twerton Park. After Pounder had given Rovers the lead, Taylor found the target after 44, 58 and 75 minutes with Gall's effort-for Brighton providing only the

scantest of consolation.

At the other end of the table. Portsmouth did their hopes of a play-off place no harm at all with a hardfought 1-0 home defeat of Bristol City.

Sail overboard: a lost spinnaker was one of a series of mishaps for Il Moro di Venezia in the first race of the challenger finals

# Conner's early lead is overhauled

FROM BARRY PICKTHALL IN SAN DIEGO

BILL Koch's America3 and New Zealand, skippered by Rod Davis, drew first blood in the opening rounds of the defender and challenger finals for the America's Cup

off San Diego. Dennis Conner had no answers to the speed of Ameri-ca<sup>3</sup> in the eight to ten-knot winds and lumpy seas around the 20-mile course for the defenders. Conner's Stars & Stripes had a 30second jump at the start

after America<sup>3</sup> had made the most basic of errors in being over the line early. "It was a communications and stopwatch error. It was my fault," the helmsman, Bud-

dy Melges, said. It made little difference to the outcome. Melges had by the weather mark, then steered America Into the lead midway down the fol-lowing run. The skipper, Bill Koch, took over the wheel for the reaching legs, and he confounded critics of his steering ability by staying there to the finish, by which time America) had widened her advantage to more than two minutes.

The New Zealanders capitalised on a series of blunders by their Italian rivals aboard II Moro di Venezia to lead the challenger race from start to finish. First, Paul Cayard and his crew forgot to programme in their computer the current sweeping across the course. This led them into trouble when they tried to cross the start line. They could not them 18 seconds.

Il Moro closed the gap to within one-and-a-half boat lengths of the slower tacking New Zealand on the first beat and stayed within striking distance until the middle reaching leg. Then the Italians found they had left their optimum gennaker back on the dock.

That cost them a further 30 seconds and a misjudged spinnaker take-down at the leeward mark, as they made a desperate move to catch the New Zealand yacht as it

half-a-minute more, as the gun with 92 seconds minutes to spare, leaving Cayard to admit: "We gave it to them. But if we're all going to make mistakes, it's better that we all make them

the same day." REBULTS: Defender trule (bed) of 13 races) Race 1: Amorica<sup>2</sup> (W Kocht bi Stars & Stropes (D Conner), 2mm Stac Overett: Amorica<sup>3</sup> 1, Stars & Sinpes (D Challenger trule; (bed) of rane racen) Race 1, New Zeoland (R Davis) at Il More

TENNIS

### Borg's brief salvo misfires

FROM ANDREW LONGMORE, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT, IN MONTE CARLO

TWO players, both wild-card entries, one ranked 147, the other 1.123, departed from the first round of the Monte Carlo Open yesterday. Not much to that, you might say. except that the first was Hen-They began brightly, Mor- ri Leconte, a semi-finalist here two years ago and the

hero-turned-villain of the French Davis Cup team, and the second, Bjorn Borg, who did nothing to allay the belief that he should go quietly back to the over-35s circuit. Borg was beaten 7-6, 6-2 by Wayne Ferreira, the Australian Open semi-finalist,

and the fact that he had a point to take the first set, his first for nine years, should not obscure the more obvious and painful fact that the man who was so dominant in the early Eighties is rather less than competitive ten years on. To add injury to insult, Ferreira was hampered by a sore leg in the first set and, at one point, seriously considered retirement, which would have been a bigger embarrassment than the final result. "I've had the injury a long time and it is very irritating. but it got better as the match went on," Ferreira said.

The South African, though, was glad to fulfil his dream of playing Borg, even if the reputation proved more vivid than the reality. "It was a privilege to play him, some-thing I will always cherish," he said, roughly the lines used by Jordi Arrese, Borg's conqueror here 12 months ago.

Borg refused to be downcast by defeat and was not impressed by Ferreira's himp either. "If he was injured, it was not very much," he said. "I feel my own game is getting a bit better each time. This was just the sort of the match I needed."

There were a few moment service returns, in particular. The crowd even sensed an upset when Borg had set point after an hour. But Ferreira ended their fleeting hopes with an emphatic forehand winner. The tie-break proved only a stay of execu-tion, the No. 15 seed taking it

7-5 with a forehand pass. Leconte lost to Thomas Muster in a repeat of the 1990 semi-final. For a set and a half, it looked as if the Frenchman's aggression would win the day, but the Austrian is a formidable fighter and exploited Leconte's growing fatigue.

CONTR'S growing langue.

RESULTS: Men's singles: First round: 3

Bruguers (So) bt F Clevet (So), 64, 28, 76;

A Boetsch (Fr) bar C Minicasi (Arg), 63, 64;

L Wankjers (Swe) bi J Carteson (Swe), 63, 6-1;

S Paccesolide (If) bt C Cartel (II), 1-6, 7-6, C Bergstrom (Swe) bi J Hasek
(Switz), 6-1, 6-7, 6-3, T Muster (Austria) bt H Léconte (Fr), 3-6, 6-4, 6-3, M Lursson (Swe)

bt J Svenscon (Swe), 6-4, 7-6, C-1 Steets
(Ger) bt M Jaite (Arg), 8-2, 4-6, 7-6; W
Pernera (BA) bt B Borg (Swe), 7-6, 6-2.

HOCKEY

#### Uhlenhorst deliver another club title

FROM SYDNEY FRISKIN IN AMSTERDAM

UHLENHORST from Mulheim continued their tight hold on the European club championship with their fifth title in succession after defeating Atlètico Terrassa, of Spain, 7-2 in the final here yesterday.

Havant will play in the B division next year after slumping to eighth place. The English champions lost 5-4 on penalty strokes to Alma Ata, of the Commonwealth of Independent States, after the scores were tied at 3-3. There

was no extra time. Havant conceded two firsthalf goals before they brought on Faulkner and Williams for the second half. A goal by Williams and two by Garcia from short corners put Havant ahead 3-2, but Alma Ata equalised with barely 30 sec-

onds remaining. The final penalty stroke for Havant, by Williams, went astray. Glasgow Western linished runners-up in the women's event for the fourth year in succession after losing 4-0 to Amsterdam, Slough took

fifth place after a convincing

3-1 victory over Club de Cam-

po. of Madrid, in which Les-

ley Hobley scored twice. Hounslow, who scored 15 goals and conceded one before yesterday's Cup Winners' Cup final, failed to win the trophy for the second time when they lost 4-0 at Vught to

the Dutch club, HGC. Sutton Coldfield won the Cup Winner's Cup for women, by 4-2 on penalty strokes after the final against MOP Vught, of The Netherlands, ended goalless.

#### FOR THE RECORD

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**AUSTRALIAN RULES** AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE (AFL); Essendon 22-9 (141), Hawihorn 10-13 (73); Foolscray 20-20 (140), North Mar-bourns 14-17 (101), Cariton 10-13 (73), Sydney 14-10 (84); Brisbans 14-8 (82), West Coast 13-14 (92); Adelaide 23-13 (151), Richmond 17-15 (117); Collingwood 19-17 (131), Malbourne 14-14 (95); St Vidda 17-26 (128), Fitztoy 16-12 (109).

BASEBALL. MATIONAL LEAGUE: New York Mets 11, Montreal Expos 6; Pittaburgh Pirates 11, Philarelephia Phillies 0; St Lours Cardinals 4, Chicago Cuba 3; Housion Astros 1, San Diego Pautres 0; San Francisco Gismts 6, Cincinnair Reds 2: Los Angelés Dodgers 4, Arlents Braves 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Boslon Red 3o. 5, Toronto Blue Jays 4; New York Yamkees 5, Cavetand Indians 3; Seattle Mariners 12; Milwaubee Brewers 9, Baltumore Orioles 3, Detroit Tigers 2; Chicago White Sox 4, Mintrasolt Twins 1, Texas Rangers 6, Oakland A's 4.

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Bos-ton Calica 109, Marri Heat 39, Cricago Bulle 109, Detroit Pistone 81; Urah Jazz 101, San Anionio Spura 90; Golden State Wartiors 108, Seattle Supersonics 105, Alinneotic Timberwohea 130, Charlotte Hornida 107; Prosnitr Suna 112, Alianta Hawks 108; Dallas Meverulis 104, Deriver Neugeria 92; Los Angeles Lakers 109, Los Angoles Clippers 108,

LIFGE-BASTOONE-LIEGE (281km) 1.
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Rooks (Neth), at 30sec: 3, JF Bernard
Fr), same time: 4, D Casside (Nt at 1min 35sec: 5, T Roomger (Swize), at 200: 6, G
Rue (Fr), same time Leading Briton: 9, R
hiller, at 207

CYCLING

Hue (Fr), same time Leading Briton: 9, R heiliar, at 2:07

TiME TRIALS: Charlottevitie (Atton, Hanss, 50 miles): J Short (Antelope RT), -1hr 54min 10sac. Team: Aylesbuy, 5:28:34, CC Breckland (Norfolk, two-up, 28 miles): Z Carr and J Trenchard (Norwich), 1:04:03 Les Valley (Essex, 25 miles): K Anchewarths (Southend and County), 54min 2:sec. Team: Elite, 3hr 08min 22sec. Abergavenny (25 miles): M Postia (Delta), 54min 2:sec. Team: Elite, 3hr 08min 22sec. Abergavenny (25 miles): M Postia (Delta), 54min 2:sec. Team: Elizabeths (25 miles): C Maddington (Pendle Forest), 55min 25sec. Northumberland and Durham (25 miles): L Foster (Border Chy), 57min 25sec. Team: Border Chy, 25 Smin 45sec. Brenton (Stalfortshire, hill), 24% milos). P Natr (Bizabethan), 58min 45sec. Brenton (Stalfortshire, hill), 24% milos). P Natr (Bizabethan), 58min 45sec. Guernsey (two-up, 25 miles); I Brown and D Hobson (Guernsey), 55man 16sec Composite sam: I Cammath (Raleigh) and T Cork (Si Ivea), 55:24.

HANDBALL KOLDING, Denmark: European men's championship: Semi-final: Kouting # 26. RK Zagreb 20 (Zagreb win 46-43 on agg)

GOLF HILTON HEAD ISLAND, Bolum Caroli-na: Heritage Classic: Final scores (US unless statisd), 288: D Love M. 67, 67, 67, 68, 273: C Beck, 69, 65, 71, 68, 274: N Price (Zim), 71, 71, 68, 68, 275: R Cochran, 70, 99, 70, 65; F Zosley, 73, 67, 67, 68, 278: C Stadler, 71, 68, 70, 57, W Grady (Aus), 68, 70, 70, 57, B Faxon, 68, 73, 67, 68, K, Parry, 72, 70, 68, 69; M C'Meara, 69, 65, 70, 72.

STOCKBRIDGE, Georgia: Women's tournament: Final scores (US unless stated) 277: D Mochne, 70, 69, 68, 70, 278: D Ammeccapane, 71, 70, 68, 70, 278: S Steinhauer, 72, 71, 68, 68; H Alfredsson (Swe), 71, 68, 71, 69; E Daniel, 63, 71, 69, 71, 72, 68; E Daniel, 63, 71, 69, 71, 72, 68; E Daniel, 63, 71, 69, 71, 72, 281: E Crosby, 71, 67, 71, 72 Laeding Britons: 286: P Winght, 73, 70, 72, 71, 290; C Perce, 67, 79, 70, 74, 292: K Davies, 71, 70, 76, 75, 303: L Davies, 73, 73, 80, 77. SONY WORLD RANKINGS: 1, F Couples (US), 18 54pls, 2, N Faido (GB), 15 58; 3, J-M Cleziblei (Sp), 15 15, 4, 8 Beflestesc (Sp), 14 70; 5, I Wocsnem (GB), 14 48; 8, B Langer (Ger), 12 63, 7, G Norman (Aus), 12:30, 8, P Stewart (US), 10 88; 9, P Aznger (US), 9,81, 10, D Love # (US), 9,7 2

EUROPEAN TOUR: Money-winners: 1, J-M Clezzbat (Sp), E130,955, 2, J Pa-mo (Sp), E126,223; 3, A Forsbrand (Swe), £12:218, 4, R Refferty (GB), £113,655; 5, Palmer (SA), £13,330; 7, J-M Cañizares (Sp), £26,545; 8, V Singh (Fis), £77,955, 8, D Gulford (Eng), £75,208; 10, M McLean (Eng), £58,134.

US PGA TOUR: Money-winners (US unless stated) 1, F Couples, \$1,008,162 (5575,000); 2, D Love III, \$776,832; 3, M O'Mears, \$366,028, 4, R Floyd, \$527,118, 5, C Beck, \$467,237, B, J Cook, \$456,760, 7, C Pavin \$365,359 8, J Stuman, \$320,523, 9, 3 Etington (Aus.), \$292,197, 10, 5 Paris, \$348,878

TABLE TENNIS

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STUTTGART: European champion-ships: Men's singles: Third round: Chen Xinhua (Eng) bit M Appiegren (Swe). 23-21, 21-18, 21-16, Chiarter-finals: J Rosskopf (Ger) bt Chen Xinhua, 21-11, 21-13, 24-22, Z Pumorac (Croatta) bit J-O Walcher (Swe), 18-21, 21-12, 21-16, 14-21, 21-16, 14-21, 21-16, 21-16, 21-12, 21-16, 21-12, 21-16, 21-12, 21-16, 21-17, 21-18, 21-13, 21-9, Flosskopf bt Primorac, 21-14, 16-21, 17-21, 21-18, 21-16, 18-21, 21-18, 21-18, 21-19, 21-17, 21-18, 21-16, 18-21, 21-18, 21-12, 21-18, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-19, 21-13, 21-15, Samificials: Lomas b Hooman, 21-14, 21-7, 21-11, Vnesekop bt Hooman, 21-14, 21-7, 21-18, 21-12, 21-18, 21-17, 21-18, 21-17, 21-18, 21-17, 21-18, 21-17, 21-18, 21-17

FENCING

BIRMINGHAM: International meeting:
Men: Foit: 1, P Sanders (Nath), 2, L
Harper (Poly), 3, P Kay (Salie Paul). Epée:
1, P Brandei (Ger); 2, G Hinz (Ger); 3, S
Aspinal (Poly). Sabre: 1, M Henrigmann
(Bellahouston): 2, F Labauna (Fr); 3, A
Zahira (Hun). Women: Foit: 1, Larrig Juan
(China): 2, Xao Ahua (China): 3, Wang
Huflang (China): Epée: 1, Y Martinaz
(Mex): 2, C Lewis (London Weish); 3, T
Assmann (Reading).

Saive: beaten for gold in table tennis final

TAMPA, Florida: Men's clay-court tournament: Final: J Yzaga (Peru) of M Weshington (US), 3-6, 6-4, 6-1. SECUL: Men's tournament: First round: D Marceino (Br) bit 8 Youl (Aus), 3-8, 6-4, 7-6; G Reour (Fr) bit N Borwick (Aus), 6-1, 6-1; A Mrorz (Ger) bit C Pricham (Can), 6-4, 6-2 Chang Eul jong (S Kor) bit Kim Jee-six (S Kor), 6-3, 6-3
ATP: Rankings: I, J Counier (US), 3.655pls; 2, S Edberg (Swe), 3,241; 3, B Becker (Ger), 2,470, 6, M Chang (US), 2,533, 5, M Süch (Ger), 2,470, 6, M Chang (US), 2125; 7, G Forget (Fr), 1,574, 8, G kvanisewc (Croada), 1,855; 9, P Korda (Cz), 1,660; 10, 1 Land (Cz), 1,551 Money-winners: 1, Counier, 8535,970 (2365,000); 2, Crang, 5459,175, 3, Edberg, S321,070; 4, Jeansewc, S260,685; 5, Becker, 8254,826; 6, R Kordock (Neir), S232,825; 7, Sampras, S210,345; 8, W Ferneira (SA), S204,880, 9, C, Costa (Sp), S198,105, 10, 1 Woodbridge (Aus), 5197,800 HOUSTON: Virgina Säms women's tournament: Finat M Selec (Yug) bit Z Garrison (US), 6-1, 6-1, 6-1, 16, 6-3, 6-1; Li Fang (Chran) in R Stubbs (Aus), 6-1, 3-6, 4, K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 6-4; K Godridge (Aus) bit P Langrova (Cz), 7-6, 7-6; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76; 7-76;

VUGHT, The Netherlands: European club championship: Men Final: Unlenhors (Ger) 7. Termass (So) 2. Playoffs: Third place: Bloemendsal (Neth) 2. Racing Cub de France 1. Fifth: Royal Leopoid (Bel) 3. Lisnegary 0. Seventh: Alma Ata 3. Hayent 3. (Alma Ata won 5-4 en penalty strokes). Women: Final: Amsterdam 4. Glasspow Western O. Playoffs: Third place: HCC (Neth) 8. Entirecht Frankluri 0. Fifth Slough 3. Cub de Campo 1. Seventh: Stade Francois o, Pegasus (Nire) 0. (Stade Francois won 4-2 on penalty strokes). AMSTERDAM: European Cup Winners' Cup: Men: Final: HGC (Neth) 4. Hounslow 0. Playoffs: Third place: White Star (Bel) 4. Frampoing (Neth) 1. Frith: Rot Wels's Munich 5. Blescas (So) 4. Seventh: Grunwald (Pol) 5. Cork Harlequins 2. Women: Final: Sulton Coldfield on MCP Vughi 0. (Sution Coldfield win 4-2 on penalty strokes). Playoffs: Third place: SKF Moscow 3. Rafleburg (Ger) 2. Frith: San Sebastian 5. Grodine (CS) 1. Seventh: Grands (Fie) 0. CANNOCK: Boys' six-nations tournement: Final pasitions: Under-16: 1. England, Spite 2. Germany, 7. 3. Netherlands. 7: 4. Span. 4. 5. France, 0. Under-18: 1. Germany, 9. 2. England, 8: 3. Netherlands. 7: 4. Span. 4. 5. France, 2. 6. Switzerland 0. BOURNEMOUTH FESTIVAL: Men: Bugs (Bath University graduales). 1. Purple Nastes (Boumemouth) 0. Women. Devo Meda 3. Bournemouth 0. Flock STONE FESTIVAL: Men: Berthamsted 1. OAPs 4. Darington 1. United Hospitals 0. Jack Daniels 1.

POLICES TURE PESTIVAL: Men Berichsmisted 1, OAP's 4, Darington 1, United Hospitats 0: Jack Daniels 1, Nicosa Tramps 1, Challorn 51 Peter 2, Selvyn College 0, Ciliforniel 4, Ourhem University 3, Ghosts 4, Old Dragons 3 WEYMOUTH FESTIVAL: Men: Hosts 5,

University 3, Ghosts 4, Old Dragons 3
WEYMOUTH FESTIVAL: Men: Hosts 5,
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3, Pheasant PlucArer 0, Adelaide 3 Orcs
0, Banchtos 3, Blue Bedgeds 2, Waytarers
1; VVHEO 3, Pheasant PlucArers 1,
Dowdea 2, Ghosts 0 Tuse Hill 1,
Darmstadt 0, Heronts 0, Beachcombers 1;
Barnstomers 3, Orcs 1, Sils 0, Adders 3,
Ghosts 1, Budges 1, Muffine 1, Bulls 1
Chiv Nade 2, Loons 0, Recklins 2,
Bedknobs 4 Strollers 2, Pilgrims 2,
Adders 2, Bemstomers 0; Dowd 2,
Fosses 0; Redskins 1, Wyvern 1, Wayfurers 1, Bedknobs 1; Greenshanks 2,
Bulgies 2, Les Slammeurs 1, MrA 3,
Hangovers 1, Adelaide 1, Hengovers 0,
Bulls 1, Tulse Hill 0, Suffers 2, Silve
Bedgers 1, Herons 0, Strollers 0, Sils 4,
Chiv Nade 2, Sorcarers 3, Herons 1,
Buffalos 1, VVHEO 0 Ghosts 0, Banditos
2, MTA 1, Wayfarers A 1, Sils A 1, Wyvern
2, Boars 0; Adelaide A 0, Bedknobs A 0;
Adders Euth 4, Redskins A 1; Muffins A 3,
Ghosts A 1, Women: Foresters 0, Fosters
Bogs 3; Strollers 3, Snots 0; Wolves 1,
Flamingos 3, Wot Dats 1, Naughty Nurses
2, Skags 1 Thunderbrids 4; Bluebells 0
Pat Stugs 2; Coccodies 1, Dolly Mretures
1; Pilgrims 2, Fossey 3, Graschoppers 0
Barclays Bank 3, Chippenham Town 4,
Deesiders 0, Dolly Mortures 3, Handbrags
0, Ratpock 0, Barminster 3, Red Devis 1,
Concrete Cows 0, Weymouth 3, Flammgoo 1, United Services 0, Fast Stugs 1,
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Weymouth 1; United Services 0. Chippenham Town 0; Redshins 0. Strollers 0; Sage 1, Bas Baar 0; Crocodies 1, Foster Bogs 1, Dead Cats 2 Foresters 1, Foster Bogs 1, Dead Cats 2 Foresters 1, New Sauram 1 Durham Bimboo 0 Snote 0, Wat Dats 6, New Sauram 0, Dambusters 0; Thunderbreds 2, Swifts 3, Handibags 0, Wolves 3.

NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): Play-offs (IIISI games of best-of-seven series)
Wales Conference: Patrick division:
Washington Capitals: 3, Pittsburgh Pengurse 1, New York Rangers 2, New Jossey
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# Leeds revitalise League challenge

Leeds United. Coventry City ...... BY IAN ROSS

THE prospect of Leeds United returning the League championship to West Yorkshire for the first time in 18 years - a rather fanciful prospect in recent weeks - was given far greater substance

Fifteen minutes after learning of Manchester United's defeat by Nottingham Forest at Old Trafford, Leeds produced a solid, if unspectacu-lar performance to defeat Coventry City, but for once it was the result, and not its manner, which was of such immense importance.

While this victory was sufficient to return Leeds to the top of the first division, it will have done little or nothing to alter Howard Wilkinson's assertion that one of the most intriguing championship races in memory will remain unresolved until the final day

Manchester United, who trail Leeds by a single point, must win against West Ham United at Upton Park tomorrow night if they are to reclaim the leadership and, more important, the

Rather sensibly, Leeds played out the opening 15 minutes at pedestrian pace. Once the pattern of their pressure punctuated by spirited, if somewhat rare, Coventry counter-attacks had been established, a surprisingly fluent game began to unfold.

After a succession of promising assaults had come to grief on the perimeter of the Coventry penalty area. McAllister and Wallace attempted to engineer a decisive opening by utilising

huge step towards relegation

to the third division vesterday

(Peter Robinson writes). They

chance against Derby County

with one of the most contro-

versial, ill-disciplined displays

Newcastle had three play-

ers sent off by the referee

Brian Coddington, and their

coach, Terry McDerrmott,

dismissed from the touchline

at the Basebali Ground. They

lost 4-1 and fell to one of the

Their troubles began with-

three relegation places.

in the League this season.



Wright to reply: the Arsenal forward bundles the ball past Hooper in his side's 4-0 win over Liverpool yesterday. Report, page 32

brute force, driving in firm shots which were only fractionally wide of their intended

target. Wallace, whose form has been, at best, erratic since the turn of the year, was to enjoy the best opportunity of the first half when Batty's delightful pass drifted over the Coventry defence in the 32nd

Unfortunately, as Wallace attempted to apply a finishing touch, the ball became

peared to handle a header on

off. Brian Kilcline was

booked in the sixth minute

before McDerrmott, after

making remarks to a lines-

Kevin Scott, the Newcastle

captain, was next for a second

the 71st minute for dissent.

His dismissal prompted an

outbreak of trouble among

man, was dismissed.

Newcastle supporters.

lodged beneath his right boot and he was unable to control before a defender intervened.

Although the Leeds goal had been subjected to only minimal pressure, Coventry were a little unfortunate not to take advantage of a defensive blunder shortly after the interval when Whyte and Lukic collided as they sought to intercept a pass which had been lofted from deep within

the Coventry half. Gallagher, who collected the rebound, was not really in a position to shoot but with no Three are sent off support available to him, he had no alternative. The ball, to Leeds' relief, cannoned into NEWCASTLE United took a in three minutes of a kick-off the chest of Whyte and was delayed for 15 minutes by a bomb scare. Kevin Brock ap-

Whyte was to make a more orthodox, and important contribution in the 53rd minute when he applied the crucial touch in the move which was, in effect, to decide the

Sterland's free kick was of no greater menace than those he had been delivering all evening until Ogrizovic hesibookable offence and Liam O'Brien joined the party in tated as he made his move to

collect. Whyte flicked the ball further into the penalty area and after Borrows had sliced the ball into the air, Fairclough rose unchailenged to score with a simple

The game was settled in the 81st minute when Leeds were given a penalty which initially appeared to be controversial until television replays confirmed the award to be

Cantona, following up after Ogrizovic dived down to his left to deny Speed, swept in a low shot which McGrath, standing on the goalline, blocked with an outstretched hand. After consulting a linesman, the referee, Robert Nixon, awarded a penalty, which McAllister duly converted, and dismissed McGrath for his action.

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Manchester United ...... 1 Nottingham Forest.....

POOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

ham Hotspur. BY STUART JONES

IN FRONT of the biggest League gate of the season, the title contenders were yesterday revealed to be impostors. Against a hotch-potch of a side featuring Nigel Clough as a central defender. Manchester United subsided to the second ignominious home defeat of their

The experience may not have been as humbling as on New Year's day, when they lost 4-1 to Queens Park Rangers, but the impact promises to be more significant. The next time they appear at Old Trafford will be on the closing, and potentially decisive, day.

Alex Ferguson has persistently claimed that the title will be won away from the bumpy and rutted pitch on which United's rhythm has invariably been disrupted.

ons, they will probably have to triumph there over Totten-

The occasion was supposed to have been an appropriate party to celebrate the end of United's empty quarter of a century, as well as the farewell appearance of Gary Lineker. The fixture, which is scheduled for May 2, but may be postponed 24 hours for the benefit of television, promises to create as tense a finale as at Anfield three years ago.

The frayed nerves of United's followers were stretched further when Nottingham Forest, resembling an experimental outfit, took the lead in the 32nd minute. Nobody harried either Sheringham near a touchline nor Woan, when he accepted a return pass. He cut inside a token gesture of a tackle by Kanchelskis and struck a shot from the edge of the area, which Schmeichel allowed to run underneath his outstretched left arm

Forest's unusual defence. had until then adequately **WANTED SAFE** Remaining fixtures

LEEDS I/TD: Sunday: Sheffleid Utd (a). May 2: Norwich City (h). MANCHESTER UTD: Temorrow: West Ham (a) Sunday: Liverpool (a). May 2: Tottenham (h) SHEFFIELD WED: Seturday; Crystal Palace (a). May 2: Liverpool (h).

protected Crossley. Yet within three minutes he was beaten. when Blackmore's free kick was headed firmly back by Bruce for McClair to nod home his 24th League goal of the season from close range.

Apart from McClair, no one at United has been able consistently to apply finishing touches. Ferguson chose an attack led by Giggs instead of Hughes but the alteration did not solve the productivity problem.

In spite of the speed of Kanchelskis and Sharpe on the flanks. United failed genuinely to stretch Crossley

goalkeeper, overlooked for the Rumbelows Cup final, defied McClair with an acrobatic save which brought the crowd of 47,576 to its feet.

Soon many of them sank disconsolately back into their seats. A quick free kick taken by Keane caught United un-awares. Sheringham's dummy cleared a convenient central path for Gemmill who promptly steered in the

Forest, for whom Walker put on a flawless exhibition of defending, kept their composure even after Hughes had been brought on.

Tomorrow United play at West Ham, whose spirit may have been broken, and on Sunday they tackle Liverpool at Anfield.

MANCHESTER UniTED: P Schement, C Blackmore, D Irwin, S Bruce, M Phelan, G Palistar, A Kanchelette, N Webb (sub: M Hughes), B McCleir, F Glogs, L Sharpe (sub: M Donaghy). NOTTINGHAM FOREST: M Crossley, B Lews, S Williams, B Walker, G Crosby, R Kesne, T Orlygsson, S General, N Clough, E Sheringham, I Woen. Referee: J Key.

# Hudson gives South Africa the advantage

FROM RICHARD STREETUN IN BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS

ANDREW Hudson finished with 163 against West Indies as South Africa gained a firstinnings lead of 83 here yesterday on the third day of the Test match, which was again boycotted by local people. South Africa were dismissed for 345 shortly after lunch.

311, completely beaten by the pace of a yorker from Benja-min which ripped his off stump out of the ground. He batted for eight hours and 40 minutes and hit 20 fours, mostly drives or leg-side hits, and faced 384 balls. Apart from chances on Sunday at 22 and 66, he avoided serious error in a remarkable display for a batsman still relatively new to international pressure.

Hudson, aged 26, recently obtained a business and economics degree at Natal University and hopes to combine cricket with a career in marketing. Six years ago he had a season with Bradley Hills in the Huddersfield league. He has become a devout Christian. Asked about his batting in this game, he said: "If you want me to say anything about this innings I know whom to thank," and he pointed towards the sky. "My faith gives me strength of mind and peace and I can accept it whether I get a duck or a hundred."

It took West Indies an hour before they separated Hud-son and Kulper when South Africa resumed at 254 for four. Patterson made the breakthrough when Kuiper, on the back foot, got a thin edge to the wicketkeeper. Kulper only played in this match because it was felt his occasional bowling might be needed if Pringle's rib cartilage problem recurred. He served South Africa nobly as he restrained his natural attacking instincts in a stay of three and a quarter hours and helped to add 92 in 52 overs.

When West Indies switched to Adams's left-arm spin. Richardson, the new batsman, soon lifted a catch to long-off. Ten minutes before lunch, Hudson's stalwart innings ended and, in the next over. Snell was unluckily run out. Pringle pulled Benjamin with ferocious force back towards the bowler, who deflected it into the stumps with Snell out of his ground. After the break, the South African tailenders hit out and Adams. who only played because Hooper was injured, finished with four wickets.

Some confusion during the first two days of the match about the ICC's 90-overs-aday rule was clarified by Raman Subba Row, the match referee, before play started. In the domestic Red Stripe Cup, the West Indies board allow an over to be deducted for each drinks break and also for every two wickets that fall.

Subba Row and Clyde Walcott, the West Indies board president, have now interpreted the regulation in a different way. In this Test, 90 overs must be bowled daily. The deduction for drinks and wicket-falls is only applied when calculating average over-rates to ascertain whether a side has incurred fines for bowling too slowly. This slightly ambiguous rule is expected to be tightened at the ICC meeting next July.

David Miller, page 31

SOUTH APRICA: First Innings

FALL OF WICKETS 1-14, 2-139, 3-188, 4-187, 5-279, 6-233, 7-312, 8-318, 9-328 BOWLING: Ambrose 36-19-47-2 (Inb), Patierson 23-4-79-1 (Inb); Walsh 27-7-71-9 (Job), Benjamin 28-3-67-2 (IInb, 1w); Arthurton 3-0-8-0; Adams 21

# Driver killed in 100mph crash

By Stephen Slater

MARCEL Albers, one of the brightest young drivers in the British Formula Three motor racing championship, was killed in a 100mph crash at Thruxton, Hampshire.

Albers, aged 24, from Rotterdam, was trapped in his Ralt car after it had somersaulted towards spectators and then hit an earth bank and safety fence.

The fence prevented the car, or large pieces of it, hurtling towards a crowd of several hundred on the bank at the Club Chicane, one of the most popular spectator points on the circuit. Although small pieces of debris caused cuts and bruises and some speciators were treated for shock nobody was seriously injured.

The British Automobile Racing Club medical team fought trackside for over an hour to stabilise Albers's condition before transferring him to Salisbury Hospital.

Albers won the first race of the 1992 season and in this, the third round of the championship, he had battled for the lead with Gil de Ferran, of Brazil, early on. Albers had then dropped down the field and was fighting back at the end of the eighth lap when the accident occurred.

Breaking from a maximum speed of over 150mph down to 70 for the second-gear chicane, Albers's front wheel hit the tail of the car ahead and his car was catapulted over ten feet in the air into the bank. The race was stopped with de Ferran the winner, on positions at the previous lap. "This is a tragedy which effects us all," he said.

However, organisers decided that the rest of the meeting should continue. John Cleland's Vauxhall Cavalier won the Esso British touring car championship race.

Results, page 33

# Lomas excels in singles silver-medal effort



By RICHARD EATON

LISA Lomas became the first English table tennis player for a decade to reach the final of a European singles championship when she won a silver medal in Stuttgart yesterday.

Lomas, aged 24, who had saved three match points and survived a 20-minute argument during her match against Galina Melnik, of Russia, on Sunday, yesterday played three Dutch opponents. Her clever chop and float defence only failed her at the final hurdle against Bettine Vriesekoop, a former champion, to whom she lost 21-10, 21-18, 21-17. Earlier, Lomas, the Eng-

12, 21-15 against the unseeded Gerdie Keen, who was unable to fathom the back spin and became bogged down with pushing. Then Lomas scored a magnificent 21-14, 21-7, 21-11 victory over Mirjam Hooman. the English Open champion. who tried slow top spin with occasional hits but made mis-

takes when she hit hard. Vnesekoop, aged 30, from Leiden, retired after the 1988 Olympics but found it impossible to stay away. Yesterday, her mixture of consistent rolling top spin and drop shots drew Lomas in and broke up her cobweb of defence. Vriesekoop had won the

land No. 1, won 21-16, 21- championships ten years before, when, coincidentally, she beat another Englishwoman, Jill Hammersley-Parker. Hammersley-Parker, now the England coach, said: "Vriesekoop is the same brainy player as she was ten years ago, and probably the only difference is that she hits a bit harder now because of the glue they put under the

bat rubber.' Both Hammersley-Parker and Lomas can be satisfied with their work.Lomas's improvement, signalled by wins this season over several highclass players and by successes in last week's team event Daniella against Guergeltcheva. the reigning

champion, and Csilla Batorfi. lured an opponent into the European No. 1, has mostly occurred since the English Table Tennis Association has found the extra money to help the leading women practise and compete more often. Hammersley-Parker has been moved to a full-time role and Lomas. among others, is showing the benefit.

Lomas, aged 24, is a better all-round player than when she won a bronze in the 1986 Europeans in Prague. In particular, she has learnt to mix her attacking rallies occasionally with a top-spin loop follow-up behind her serve and to counterattack fiercely on the backhand when she has

putting the ball too high. England's other hope. Chen Xinhua, the national champion, lost 21-11, 21-13.

21-12, in the quarter-finals to Jorg Rosskopf, of Germany, who went on to win a men's event which revealed the strength in depth of European table tennis. Jorgen Persson, the world champion, lost to Andrzej Grubba, the 33-year-old former World Cup winner from Poland. and Jan-Ove Waldner, the former world champion, was beaten by Zoran Primorac, of

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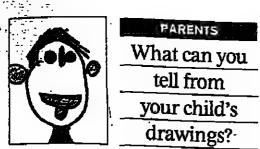
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# Please adjust your set of values

David Plowright, the former chairman of

Granada TV, argues that quality

television and hard-nosed economics can mix, if the ingredients are right

nce again politicians have shown that their interest in television is at its height during an election. While most people regard it as something to watch, most politicians think of it as something to appear on. Its power of persuasion suspends criticism of its costs, its levels of staffing, efficiency and structure. For the brief period of the campaign it is judged on its performance as an instrument of

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Naturally, television does not escape criticism from the party that loses. The winners are more charitable, so perhaps it is timely to try to persuade them of the need to correct a recent and deeply flawed piece of broadcasting legislation which is putting the industry at grave and unnecessary risk. The Broadcasting Act of 1990 is without friends even among those who conceived it, and while broadcasting does not rate as highly on the political agenda as the recession. taxation or the health service, it is a public service under threat and deserving of some debate.

The legitimate questions to explore are: what amounts of revenue from independent television companies should go to the government for access to the comparatively scarce resource of a broadcasting frequency; what amounts should be spent on a programme service that meets the requirement of programmes of range, quality and diversity, is predominantly British and regionally structured; how the interests of shareholders are reconciled with the other imperatives; and how does the BBC retain its position as the senior and most respected service in the world?

In the next few years, the greates threat to broadcasting standards will be the limited finance available for British programme making. Money alone does not ensure quality, but it certainly helps. Add in the ingredients of creative flair willingness to take risks and you have a formula that goes a long way towards creating a service of

The economics of broadcasting have tended to dominate media debates since the Conservative government chose to deliver television to the market place. There is an understandable tendency to try to simplify the situation by presenting a picture of an industry divided into two camps - on the one hand hard-eyed businessmen more interested in balance sheets than creative achievement, and on the other dedicated producers committed to quality programming but guilty of

wanton extravagance. Like most stereotypes, this is wide of the mark and obscures rather than clarifies the underlying issues. There is much more at stake than personality clashes. It is closer to the truth to say that most of those involved in the management of

same objectives of delivering a decent service to viewers while making a reasonable profit for shareholders. Such arguments as there are focus on finding the right balance to meet these aims.

This is a problem of concern to broadcasting as a whole. Nobody, even the most eagle-cyed account-ant, sets out with the deliberate intention of making television programmes of unacceptable quality. If they did so, they would soon prove to be a liability to their company, and their business judg-

ment would be questioned. living by making programmes are not incorrigible spendthrifts. Pro-duction finance is hard to come by these days and those who manage to lay their hands on some want to make it stretch as far as possible. is how far it can be stretched before the programmes suffer.

As someone with a good deal of practical experience of television operations, I have never seen any natural link between quality proramming and lax managemen ight-touch accountancy or self indulgent production methods.



the United Kingdom. A normal business would have thought in terms of a far more conservative approach of branch offices, not the autonomous regional headquarters which were established and became strong

for being a tightly run ship, a many programme makers will testify. That is how Granada succeeded in combining good-quality production over the years with industry leadership in profitability, and to emerge after more than three decades as the sole survivor from the original round of ITV franchises.

I have no doubt my colleagues in Granada will continue to strive for the highest standards, because it is their instinct to do so and it makes sound business sense.

The real causes of current stresses in the industry lie deeper in its history. Commercial television in Britain has never operated in accordance with standard business principles and its adjustment to hem is painful. It has always had

climate, stormy at times but on the

whole temperate. A straitjacket of regulations covering every aspect of its operations was devised by Parliament long before the service was born. The ITV companies did not choose the ITV system; they inherited it. The determination to keep finance and programming as far apart as possible led MPs and

regulators to order it along paths which ran counter to the most basic tenets of free market philosophy. For example, it was never designed to be cost-effective. It was

manifestations of the government's devolutionary policy. Similarly, the legislation virtually ruled out competition. Once a company had won a franchise, it earned the exclusive right to such

television advertising revenue as was available in its area. Because the service was paid for by advertisers, not by the public, ITV could rely for most of its life on the same sort of shelter from market-place economics that the BBC had available to it via the licence fee, provided it fulfilled strict public seen by the government of the day service programme responsibilities. as a means of underpinning re-All of this added to the sense of Such a system could clearly not tion was high on the political

have an indefinite life. For one thing its sheer cosiness was annoying to those who did not have a escaping the lact that it worked well for a remarkably long time. From the early 1950s to the late 1980s Britain had a television service which, although not perfect, was acknowledged as a great deal better than most others in the world.

To ward against the dangers of complacency there was a requirement every ten years or so for companies to compete publicly for the renewal of their licences - and quite a number of them lost. A firm Continued on page 6. coi l

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TOMORROW. John Mortimer on advocacy

# Change, and its effect on the pocket

MID LIFE: Neil Lyndon on the declining value of money

oney has been much on my mind this week. If you are in any doubt whether you should consider your self middle-aged, take a sure rule from me. You may know with categorical certainty that you have descended to your place among the crustaceans of midlife when you catch yourself saying "Thirty years ago, a man would have had to work for a month to pay for that". It has

been that kind of week. A youth from the village has taken to coming to this house at the weekend to clean my car. He charges £3 for the wash and 50p to muck out the interior - a job from which Hercules himself would have shrunk after my son and his mates have been in the car for an hour with their gums, chocolates, crisps. drinks, toys and vile delight in foul air. I give him the work on the same principle that I always give lifts to hitch-hikers if they have got enough brains to place themselves in a spot on the roadside where I can safely stop. The principle is that, having been in that spot myself, I will always give a hand to those I find

there today. When I was 17, I spent Saturday mornings making a grimy mess of the wings and panels of Morris Minors. Vauxhall Crestas and Singer Gazelles for five shillings a time.

After my youthful double had finished the job last weekend, he explained that he would want to come, in future, on Sunday mornings. On Saturdays, he is going to be working in Woolworth in the local market town. I was beside myself with pleasure: my doppelganger had come to life. "My first holiday job was in Woolworth." I exclaimed. I thought I detected a minimal rolling of his eyes as he saw another hoar-laden anecdote

approaching.
"I was 15," I said. "When the manager gave me the job, he said the pay would be £5 for a five and a half day week and I gasped aloud. 'Yes', he said sternly, 'it's a lot of money, isn't it; and you'll have to

work bloody hard to earn it'." "Five pounds a week," said the youth, obligingly. "Good heavens: I thought my pay was bad and they're paying me £2.75 an hour." He went off whistling with his bucket and my money. I retired to the kitchen to scratch my puzzled old head over a cup of coffee.

If he worked, as I did, a 55-hour week at Woolworth and they paid him £2.75 an hour, he would earn £151.25. That's 30 times the amount I was paid in 1961. Is this a true reflection of inflation and the decline in the value of money in the period? Or is a better guide to be drawn from the difference between the amounts we earned for carwashing? His £3 is 12 times my charge for the same job (I didn't offer an interior service; too much like hard work).



It seems possible, though I'd be grateful if we kept this to ourselves, that he is undercharging. Another possibility, far more comforting, is that I was overcharging for my services. His hourly rate at Woolworth is slightly unfavourable compared with the £3.50 he can earn in about three-quarters of an hour on

my car. My hourly rate at Woolworth was one shilling and nine old pence. By that measure, dear old Mrs Harnden should have been paying me. at most, two and six for the smears I left on the bonnet of her Morris Minor, and if she is still in this world to read these words. I imagine that she will be feeling, rightly, that she was skinned.

These calculations and comparisons may be head-spinning, confirming the uneasy feeling that we have been living through a Ruritanian era of tinpot finance, but they include some degrees of measurable reality. If you want to lose all feeling for the value of money, try spending a week with a nine-vear-old

On a single day's excursion with my son last week we got through more than £70. In the morning, we

went bowling: three games, £13.20. We went for lunch in a fast-food dive: two small pizzas, two large soft drinks and a single serving of garlic bread, El 5.25. We bought a pair of trainers, nothing flash: £24.99. We went to see *Hook*: £6 for the tickets and £2.50 for drinks and popcorn. Add parking, petrol, crisps and drinks at the bowling alley, sweets along the road and you've topped

Thirty years ago, a labouring man would have to work for a month to earn £70. I would have had to work for three and a half months in my holiday job at Woolworth. My young doppelganger would earn that amount in half a week. Even allowing for the effects of decimalisation and the Wilsonian deception of a depreciation which would make no difference to the pound in your purse. this colossal inflation must still be counted bewildering for those who

have lived through it. My son does seem able to retain some feelings of prudence in the face of this madness "I don't like you to be spending all this money. he says, and means it. I don't like it either. The treats, I tell myself, are modest, the shoes essential. If I can't take my boy out for a day in his holidays and give him his idea of a good time. I tell myself, there is

not much to be said for working at

I tell myself that I am doing nothing more than my own parents did for me when I was nine, though we travelled by bus when we went to see The Pyjama Game, are our lunch in the Odcon Cafeteria and dreamt not of bowling alleys and foot-high cartons of popcorn. None of these admonitions and reassurances from self to self provides much comfort. It still feels like a hell of a lot of money demanded by an insanely extortionate world; but that, I guess, is how it must feel to be middle-aged.

> **TOMORROW** Single Life: Lynne Truss

# 8th July, 1992 A unique opportunity to be with Johannes Uyttenbogaert

- when his portrait by Rembrandt will be sold by Sotheby's in London. Painted in 1633, it is an exceptionally fine example of Rembrandt's work the modelling of the face and the contours of the white collar are wholly characteristic of the artist's style in the early 1630s - and its authenticity has been confirmed by the Rembrandt Research Project.



Rembrandt Harmensz, wan Rijn (Leiden 1606-1669 Amsterdam). Portrait of Johannes L'vitenbogaeri bears signature and date: Rembrandt ft. 1633 and bears inscription: AET:76, oil on canvas

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This Rembrandt portrait is one of the highlights of our sale of Old Master Paintings on 8th July that will feature many fine works, ranging from portraits to still lives and landscapes, To include your pictures with Johannes Uyttenbogaert, please contact Julien Stock on 071-408 5413 as soon as possible.

by Nicholas Hybrer. Theatre Royal, Newcastle (091-232 2061), toright-Sat, 7 30pm, mats Thurs, 2pm, Sat, 2 30pm,

THE RERY ANGÉL: David Freeman's speciacular production of Prokofiev's melodrama, in which the gymnasts of the Maryinsky Arobatic Troupe provide a constant, writhing accompaniem to the action. Edward Downes conducts Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London, WC2 (071-240 1066), tomoht, 8mm

SONNY ROLLINS: The title of orse of his late Fiftnes' albums, Saxophone Colossus, sums up the standing of this influential and effortlessly lynai player making a rare appearance in Scotland. On Sunday he will perform at the London Palladium. Royal Concert Hall, Buchanan Street, Glasgow (041-227 5511), 7pm.

SOUND OF MUSIC: A new Wendy Toye production of the sugary family musical goes on a countrywide tour and will reach Sadler's Wells in June. The Rodgers and Hammerstein show still holds the box-office record for an still holds the box-office record for an Amenican Musical in the West buil Leading the do-re-mi choruses will be Liz. Robertson as Maria, the singing nanny-nounce created on film by Julie Andrews, and Christopher Cazenove as Captain von Trapp. The production plays in Glasgow until May 2. King's Theatre, Glasgow (041-227 5511), toright-Sat, 7.30pm, mats tomorrow, 2.30pm, Sat, 3pm THE ROOF HOWOOD SHOWN achard D'Bnen's West End rewal continues its round-Britain tour stopping off this week in Reading Christopher Makcolm directs a cast including Peter Blake, Barry Howard, Zalie Burnow and Pendiope McGhie. Next stop: Theatre

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THE COTTON CLUB: An impression of the Harlem registront. High on energy, low on story freshness. Aldwych, The Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404), Mon-Fri, 7 30pm, Sat, Spm, mats Wed. 2.30pm, Sat, 4pm. 150mas.

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STOPI OR MY MOM WILL SHOOT

(PG). Pestering mum Estelle Getty comes to vein bachelor-cop son Sylvester Stallone, Threadbare comedy for the easily pleased director Roger

Spottswood Empire (071-497 9999) MGM Below Steet (071-370 2636) With Fullium Road (071-370 2636) Withteleys (071-792 3332).

VOYAGER (15). Strange concidences and a pretty gri derail the life of a globe-trotting engineer (Sam Shepard). Sober, absorbing version of Max Frisch's novel, Homo Faber, director, Volker Schländorf! Curzon West End 1071-439 4805).

CURRENT

NEW RELEASES

#### TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment and entertainment compiled by Karl Knight

Royal, Hanley. Hexagon Theatre, Ousen's Walk, Reading (0734 591591), tonight, tomorrow, 8pm, Thurs-Sat, 7pm and

ENGLISH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA: Conductor Christoph Eschenbach and orchestra repeat the programme given last Wednesday at the Barbican; Beethoven's Quantat for piano and with and Concerto No 1 (with Eschenbach as soloist) and Haydn's Lirenkonzert in G for two flutes, and Symphony No 83. Barbican, S& Street, London EC2 (071-638 8891), 7.45pm

BIRMINGHAM ROYAL BALLET: Royal Ballet's touring company opens its Cantrebury season with Peter Wright's production of Giselle, the story of a gentle peasant pid driven to her grave by the betwayal of her anstocratic love. On Friday the programme changes to an attractive triple bill of one-act ballets comprising Galiva Samsova's production of Les Sylpholes, the restaging of Kenneth MacMillan's 1958, psycho-drama, The Burnow Inot seen since the Softest, and Elite Symoopanors, the Invely ballet set to the music of Scott Topin. Markows Theatre, The Friars, Canterbury (0227 767246), tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm. NGHAM ROYAL BALLET: Royal

DRAWINGS BY REMBRANIDT AND HIS CIRCLE: The Rembrandt Committee has yet to turn its attention hally on Rembrandt's drawings. But in his catalogue and the show itself, Marrin, Royalton-Kisch has not hesitated to anticipate: the British Museum's own extensive holding has been closely scrutinsed, and a considerable number also demoted to follower status. The show is mostly from the 80-odd PSMAN LASE: Horinorm failer Thearm commune its nationwide tour of Christopher Gable's new staging of Swan Lake, choreographed by American Dennis Wayne. Favoured more by the audience than by our critic at its premiere, the ballet tends to lose its sparkle after the first 20 minutes. Apollo Theartre, George Street, Oxford (0685 244544), tonight-Sal, 7 30pm, mat Thurs, Sal, 2pm.

OPERA 80: The company stops in Cambridge this week with its adequate staging of Mozart's Don Glovenne, directed by Stephen Medcalf, designed

THEATRE GUIDE

eremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London House full, returns only

Some seats available Seats at all prices

Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WCZ (071-867 1116). Mon-Sat, Spen mats Wed, 3pm, Set, Spen, 130mins. I UNICLE VANYA: Lan McKellen and Antony Sher outstanding in a Sean Matrias production that is subtle, balanced and serse with grief. Nardowel (Corposice), Soush Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252), Tonight, tomorrow, 7-3horn materiorome, 2-3horn .30pm, mat tomor

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Drawings. Bridish Munum, Grant Russel Sound London WC1 (071-636 1555). Mon-Sat, 10am-Spin, Sun, 2.30-6pm, until August 4.

Dream, with Milre McShane and Sandi Toksvig. Dedicated fans only. Albery, St Martin's Lone, WC2 (071-887 1115), Tues-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Sat, Sun, 3pm, 135mms. PYGMALION: Alan Howard

Frances Barton in a Howard Outes production that some admire greatly while others final subordinates the text to Write Outer, and a dever design.

Metional (Offvier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 8800), Tonight-Thurs, 7.75pm, met tomorrow, Zpm. THE POPE AND THE WITCH Drugs, death and demende in the Vatican Dario Fo's frantic comedy falls

at flat as a pizza. Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045) Mon-Set, Spm, met Wed, 3pm, met Set, 4pm. 135mins. ☐ REPLACTED GLORY: Albert Finney very furnry as the victim of a play by his brother, Stephen Moore; after this good start florated Novemon's new consety person out.
Vaudeville, The Strand, WC2 (071-835 9987). Mon-frt, 8pm, Sat, 8-30pm, mats Wed, 2-30pm, Sat, 5pm.
130mins.

SOME LIKE IT HOT: But what we get is lukewarm Tommy Steele in poor musical version of the film. Primor Edward, Old Compton Street, W1 (071-734 8951), Mon-Sat, 7 45pm, STRAIGHT AND NARROWS

by Lez Brotherston and conducted by lvor Bolton. Also in the touring repertoire is Clare Venables's production of the Britten opera Albert Herning. Arts Theatre, 6 St Edward's Passage, Cambridge (0223 352000), tonight-Sat, 7.30pm.

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(studio, tomorrow, 6.30pm), rubber

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Waterfront, Norwich (0603 766266,

DEFLUENTIAL ELTROPEANS: Ortion

arts and crafts have never been as solated as they seemed, in the 1900s the influence flowed outwards from Britain; between the wars it was returned through a stream of

distinguished émigres, refugees from Hitler. This substantial new show

reser. In Suscinsion new six of esigners earnines the work of such designers and crafts people: it includes Marcel Breuer with his bentwood furniture, Berthold Wolpe with his typographical work, Manamie Straub with her labrics, best known on London Underground, and the netter Livice (See

and the potter Lucie Rie. Crafts Council Gallery, 44a Pentonville Road, London N1 (071-278

C A WOMAN KOLLED WATH LTA WOMADA KOLLTO WITH KINDNESS: MiGhael Maloney and Saside Reeves in an Bizabethan domestic tragedy packed with telling details. Kate Mitchell directs. The Fix. Barbican Centre, Silk Screen, EC2 (071-638-8891). Tonight-Thurz, 7.30pm, 180mins.

LONG RUBBERS: [] Aspects of Love: Prince of Wales (071-839 5972)

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Whiteleys (071-792 3332).

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 BUGSY (18) Warren Beatty as the gangster who inverted Lis Vegas, Sieel, with, dazzhing to behold. Starring Annelte Bering, director, Barry Levirson. Camden Parkway (071-267 7034)
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LIGHT SLEEPER (15): Lugubrious elegy to the Eighties drug scene from winer-director Paul Schrader, parity saved by Willem Dafoe as a loner stumbling towards redemption. With Susan

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SALMONBERRIES (12); Half-Eskimp foundling and an East Berlin escapee are thrust together in an Arctic community. Arch Percy Adion drama with a few frange benefits Stars Ld. Ming. Metro (071-437 0757).

ROCK

# The thinking man's headbangers

Wembley Arena

THOUGHTLESSLY derided for their unfashionably "progressive" music and routinely reviled for their libertarian politics, Rush have nevertheless sustained an enviable level of international success throughout the Eighties. And it turns out that the group has had a far greater influence on modern rock than anyone predicted, with a new generation of heavyweights, from Metallica to Living Colour, now admitting a debt to the Canadian trio's pioneering work in developing a heavy rock aesthetic that is both intelligent and suitably gung ho.
For Rush, however, the hard think-

ing has long since overtaken the hard rocking, and in terms of raw, speedy excitement, the group can no longe hold a candle to its proteges. Indeed, the first of two Wembley shows was such a tightly-scripted affair that any ssion or personality which the band might have possessed was squeezed out like juice from a lemon, leaving a dry

husk with a distinctive tang.

The show's appeal rested on flawless production values and a display of monumentally efficient musicianship. The tone was established early on by "Time Stand Still" a firm, but sophisticated rocker, fleshed out by guitarist Alex Lifeson's precise arpeggios and



Impressive bass-guitarist and singer: Geddy Lee of the Canadian group Rush, at Wembley Arena

supplemented visually by a beautifullyfilmed sequence of back-projected images: a faintly surreal, aerial sweep above rivers, forests and mountain

They continued to mine this seam of mellow, manicured metal with a string of tracks from the current album Roll the Bones, a Top Ten hit both here and in America. Attention was engaged (even if the emotions were not) by the clean-cut melody of "Dreamline", the harsh mechanoid drum track of "Bravado", and the thought-provoking lyric and accompanying visuals of "Roll the

Bones" itself, a sort of poetic dissertation on the relationship between effort and happenstance in the shaping of an individual's destiny.

Although bassist Geddy Lee has modified his singing voice so that he no longer sounds like a man who has just sat down on a red hot poker, its high, brittle tone remains an acquired taste. His uncanny ability simultaneously to play complex bass lines and sing radically dissociated melodies was, however, never less than impressive. So too was Neil Peart's drum solo, "The Rhythm Method", an explosively

concise exposition which made imaginative use of electronically tuned percussive effects.

Lifeson and Lee both doubled up on synthesizers and the mix was further bolstered by backing tapes. With a four-way speaker system and lasers lancing above the crowd, comparisons with English perennials such as Pink Floyd, Yes and Genesis were hard to avoid. Like them, Rush is clearly not an act which is about to disappear in a

DAVID SINCLAIR

THEATRE

### Tonic, but not the remedy that's needed

THE scene is a newly privatised hospital, renamed the Royal East London Infirmary Trust. "Patients?" says the weasely manager, "We prefer to call them clients." Out of sight, a pensioner too poor to pay the going rate has had his walking frame snatched back and is clinging for support to a soup-vending machine. Also out of sight, junior doctors are sleeping in a pile in the corridor. Two whey faced patients — sorry, clients are eternally waiting in Reception. Jeff Teare's production misses a sick joke by not turning them into skeletons for , the final scene

Despite its hospital setting, sick humour is not on the prescription for Patrick Prior's jokey play. The style harks back to the hit or miss larks of Theatre Workshop, where the savage satire of Oh! What a Lovely War! was an exception. The capitalist targets of those days were seldom assailed by anything more damaging than paper darts; still, though Prior's play comes nowhere near Peter Nichols's sublime National Health, it is light years

**Cut and Trust** Theatre Royal, Stratford East

ahead of the vasecromy clinic in Alan Bleasdale's rubbishy Having A Ball. Dear old Mrs Pottinger, for instance, is a neatly drawn minor character, bent almost double but smiling gamely as she hobbled on, hardly liking to mention that she has now been waiting 12 hours for the ambulance to take her home. Regina Freedman makes a genuine human being from a trick of posture and a handful of lines, when she is not also playing a nurse, a photographer and a bolshy ambulance man whose moustache keeps coming off on the back of his/her hand.

The manager, who is expecting a visit from a Junior Health Minister and her medical adviser, persuades himself he has found them when two escaped psychiatric patients start flashing their medical knowledge. The



Jonathan Coote as the manager: either miscast or misdirected

usual confusions develop, and if Prior and Teare, who know their local audience, are content to supply them with genial humour, well, yes, they are filling the theatre. But Nichols showed it was possible to build comedy from outrage, and real anger is as rare in Prior's play as the ambulances - all of course reserved for the private clients in the Margaret Hilda Wing.

Alan Cowan and Yvonne Edgell generate amusement as the nutty couple but Jonathan Coote is either miscast or misdirected as the manager. He fawns, he fumes, but he never engages our concern. Like the play, there is less here than meets the eye.

JEREMY KINGSTON

TELEVISION REVIEW

# Imagination runs wild in the country

GEORGE THACKER drifts into view, complete with old English Humber car and old English BBC accent. He has come with his wife to an old

English archetypal village which is, naturally, up to the worm-eaten old English oak beams in death, madness and intrigue. And, worse, property speculators. In this vision of modern English rural life, even the sane are mad. Early

on in Thacker, a perfectly nice and rather pretty thirty-something woman goes charging about blasting holes in an old English cottage with a 12-bore shotgun. "In need of some renova-

tion"? You can say that again.
But modern, mind. Hardly has dear old Thacker, back from "Dago chasing" in the colonies in search of peace and quiet, wrestled the smoking weapon from the lady's hands than the full horror of what she has done strikes: "Martin will be furious, I've shot his fax machine."

We residents of the modern rural idyll, surrounded as we are by fax machines and all manner of the highest tech, nod sagely at this savageThacker

ry and wonder idly if Securicor might be persuaded to perfect the impeneurable five-barred gate. The telly does this to us. The telly takes our fear-free lives and mashes them to an awful pulp.

Thacker was, though, very funny. I hope it was meant to be. An 80-minute film for BBC 1 written by Tony MacNabb, it is a lovely piece of work, part magic realism, part tragi-comedy. part sheer terror, aspects of reality stretched from sublime to ridiculous,

and back again. Thacker is played by Leslie Phillips, so long absent I had forgotten how good he can be in this kind of role. He has come to the Oxfordshire village to pay homage to a dead girlfriend of long ago and finds himself mixed up in curses surrounding the future of a semi-stately pile, something (or nothing) to do with an umbilical cord pickled and placed under floorboards. But this is merely a vehicle used for

charging about the scenery, past darkly forbidding yokels cursing London incomers ("you know how much I hate 071s") and incoming yuppie fixers trying to recapture their Queen Anne fireplaces and precious Agas, of which their properties have been stripped by

the aforementioned yokels. Not all the double barrels have triggers. One is human: Celia Imrie (an inspired piece of casting), running an antique shop, as does Imrie in Victoria Wood's classic spoof, Acom Antiques. An in-joke that includes the

viewer, what a pleasant change.

If you wanted to take it at face value you could pick a colander full of holes. This Oxfordshire village, for example, appears to consist mostly of home-grown oafs driving about in Cortinas while their fathers ooh-arrr all over the place. Of course hardly any indigenous rural folk can afford to live in Oxfordshire villages these days. But us rural dwellers could hear the stereotyping for what it was. Once we took the glassfibre straw out of our ears.

PETER BARNARD

CONCERT

### A clear victory

St John Passion St John's, Smith Square

A SERMON would have made it really authentic. St John's, Smith Square, though, has always preferred

quiche and carrot cake in the interval,

and Good Friday was no exception. The John Loosemore Singers and Consort, with the Purcell Simfony, tried to make good the shortfall with their sweet wooden woodwind, their violas d'amore, violone, viola da gamba, baker's dozen of singers, and Bach's revised 1725 version of the St John Passion. Opening and closing choruses are here sturdily chorale linked. An additional bass aria, too, identifying with the suffering of Christ in tempestuous chromatics and syncopations, blasts away beneath the still. white light of a solo soprano chorale which filters through its two stanzas.

For this moment of wonder alone, the 1725 version is worth hearing. With Richard Wistreich's and Catherine Bott's voices balanced, as it were. perween earth and neaven, and a thrumming continuo holding them together, the audience has the sensation of experiencing two dimensions. the material and the spiritual, simultaneously. Then there is the substitution of the anguished tenor aria "Ach, mein Sinn" by a bright A major aria of self-flagellation. The energy of its string accompaniment acts as a stinging whiplash after the Evangelist's narration of Peter's bitter weeping. Charles Daniels, both here and in his new Part Two aria "Ach, windet euch nicht so", raised his high tenor to each progressive demand made on it.

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Timothy Wilson, alto, found himself with the very crux of the Passion story. His "Es ist vollbracht", with eloquent cello obbligato, announced the "It is finished" with appropriate epoch-ending power and glory.

While specific moments like these lit

the performance, Graham Treacher's direction from the organ keyboard brought to it consistent alertness and clarity of vision. The fluctuation of light, shade and shifting vocal contour in each strand of the lean chorales refreshed their colours. And the pacing of each choral interjection (particularly in the minutely and nicely held back pedantry of the accusing crowd) was as skilfully achieved as the individual

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# Spain's reign was not so plain

LITERATURE

Mexico's premier writer, Carlos Fuentes, is a uniquely well informed guide to the consequences of Spanish empirebuilding in the Americas. He talks to Harry Eyres

said: "There are some writers who are wonderful to read but not much fun to have lunch with," he was referring to the great Spanish poet Luis Cernuda, (whom, like virtually every major literary figure of the mid-20th century onwards. Fuentes knew or knows personally). The second half of his statement is not applicable to himself.

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Over lunch in a Bloomsbury restaurant, the 63-year-old, dapper Mexican novelist and man of letters produced a marvellously rich flow of table talk, erudite, wideranging, capable of startling connections: Mantegna's Dead Christ in the Brera reminds him of Che Guevara. His intellectual energy appears boundless. The name Fu-entes, springs or fountains in Spanish, could hardly be more apt. He was here to launch a book

and a television series (BBC 2, tomorrow night), entitled The Buried Mirror, which explores the special cultural relationship between Spain and the New World. In the Spanish-speaking world, the debate about the quincentenary of Columbus's discovery of the Americas has been polarised between rancorous regret and the sort of imperialist triumphalism once associated with General Franco.

The most extreme case of the former has been a Peruvian claim for Spain to repay the gold of the Incas and the silver gouged out of the mines of Potosi. There is also growing intolerance in Spain against South Americans, which Fuentes apprehensively links with the rise of neo-fascist zenophobia throughout Europe. He deplores

both tendencies. "The point is not serving as a diplomat in Paris he self-castigation or celebration but a has taught in a string of North chance to reflect on what we have achieved in 500 years - descendants of Spaniards. Incas, Aziecs. black Africans."

Fuentes obviously delights in the incorrigible promiscuity of his own, Mexican culture, in which elements of Aztec, Toltec and Mayan civilisation have been subtly fused with the great legacy of European, Roman and native Hispanic civili-sation brought by the Conquista-dors. "I don't believe in pure cultures. We are all mongrels, we are what we are because of invasions: in our case Conquistadors, in yours Romans and Normans."

'I don't believe in pure cultures. We are all mongrels, we are what we are because of invasions'

Fuentes is particularly well placed to interpret this process to English-speaking Americans and the English. Coming from a country which is a kind of hinge between North and South America, he seems as happy speaking and writing English as Spanish: he was brought up partly in Washington DC (also in Buenos Aires and

has taught in a string of North American universities.

A surprisingly large proportion of The Buried Mirror, however, is devoted to the culture of Spain, the Mother-country or, as Cernuda ing stepmother (territory treated fictionally in Fuentes's vast, labyrinthine novel about the time of Philip gaged in cultural reclamation, seeking out the neglected richness and value of Spanish civilisation, which has too often been written off as violent and destructive. "I don't believe in the Leyenda

Negra, the black legend of Spanish cruelty. It's a form of self-denial." Fuentes reminds us of Spain's singular ability to question the justness of its own acts of colonisation, the contributions of the Dominicans such as Father Montesinos who cried out in his sermon before Christmas 1511, "Are these not men? Have they not rational souls?" Later the Jesuit Father Vitoria, a founder of the modern concept of human rights, told the Pope he had no right to occupy Indian lands, but only to establish missions.

Even the optimistic Fuentes, however, is not disposed to deny that behind the noble ideals of the Spanish Law of the Indies, the reality of colonisation was "harsh and often inefficient exploitation of land and labour by local bosses". The nemesis of Spanish civilisation both at home and in America was the non-emergence of a strong civil society and the political institutions. culminating in democracy, to safe-



Carlos Fuentes: his latest book (also a BBC 2 series) explores the cultural and other legacies of Spain's American empire-building

American countries, almost in uni-son, threw off the Spanish yoke in the 1810s, the French-inspired revolutionary ideals of Bolivar remained abstractions.

Fuentes has some optimism about Mexico, despite the economic crisis throughout Latin America. which has meant growing poverty for a decade. "The key is the development of civil society and

everywhere I see people organising themselves. When there was a serrible earthquake in Mexico in 1985 civil society acted much more quickly and effectively than the

Puentes can hardly restrain his glee about the creeping Hispanici-sation of the United States (a theme adumbrated in The Old Gringo. his novel about the disappearance of the American journalist Ambrose Bierce in Mexico). "By some projections more than half the population of the USA will be Spanish-speaking by 2050. And the state of California has just declared that its language is English, which obviously proves the

But Fuentes is motivated less by cultural vengefulness than by a generous delight in the ever-richer possibilities offered by linguistic and cultural multiplicity. He says "You can already see humper stickers on cars in Texas which say 'Mono-lingualism is a curable

 The Buried Mirror, a five-pan series. begins on BBC 2 tomorrow night of 8pm. The book of the same name is published this week by Dentsch.

THEATRE

### One text, two languages and a common purpose

t London's Mermald Theatre, the stage pro-▲ portions and actor-toaudience relationship are the same as those at the Acarte Theatre of the Gulbenkian Foundation in Lisbon. This information might seem like one of 1,000 Amazing Facts You Need Never Remember. but it has a bearing on the production of The Chester Mystery Plays opening at the Mermaid tomorrow night.

One of the four cycles of biblical plays that survived from the Middle Ages (with the York, Coventry and Wakefield cycles), the Mermaid performances are the fruit of an Anglo-Portuguese collaboration in which players from the two countries act together in their own language. I was fortunate to see this improbable production at its Lisbon

The selection of plays takes the story from Lucifer's revolt to the sacrifice of Isaac and then leaps forward to the birth of Jesus and the events of Easter Week. Eight actors from the London Theatre Ensemble ac their roles in English; eight from the theatre companies of Braga. Evora and Porto act in Portuguese. Thus, Mark Sproston's Gabriel, sporting a fine growth of white feathers along his arms, announces the good news to Mary in his language and

Ana Bustorff replies in hers. Opera has occasionally been performed in two languages, plays very rarely: yet the risky mixture works remarkably well, helped by director Mark Dornford-May's even-handed distribution of roles. One half of the double acts of Cain and Abel. Annas and Caiaphas, speaks the language we know. enabling us to work out what the other half is on about. The shepherds and the kings. Herod's soldiers and Noah's sons. also mix languages. The only scene that lost my attention was the Last Supper, inevitably short on movement and largely in Portuguese.

The seed of this unique coproduction was planted when David Westhead, an actor now with the RSC in Stratford, heard that the Gulbenkian had sponsored a production by the 7:84 Company in Scotland. Much of his childhood was spent in Portugal and he thought, "If them, why not me? Why not a British tour to Portugal?"

Dornford-May had taught Westhead at Rada and suggested that the familiar story of the Mystery Plays might overcome the language difficulty. One of the Gulbenkian's trustees, Dr Pedro Tamen, came up with the idea of a bilingual production Dornford-May's a nursemaid (Nicola King) in the Chester Mystery Plays production is to be seen in

Jeremy Kingston

previews an Anglo-Portuguese stage production coming to London from

Lisbon this week

shortened text was translated and after a workshop last summer. Os Mistérios de Chester was born.

osé Ananias, who plays an urgent, red-shirted Jean urgent, red-shirted Jesus, said, through an interpreter: "In Portugal, we are accustomed to working slowly. We sit at a table for a long time. The behaviour of the English actors is very focused. as if tomorrow is the opening day. Also, Portuguese directors tend to impose their ideas upon the actors. But Mark expects the actors to give out ideas, to know already what the character is." Dornford-May growled: "I can always make them change to what I

He and the unknown author of the Chester cycle have constructed between them a model of the universe in which God's mildly liberal attempts to improve existence regularly go amuck and must be paid for by killing something. Medieval audiences did not

receive theological subtleties

upon Dornford-May's ideas for animating simple conflicts. Understandably, his most successful solutions are visual.

When Michael Thomas's soberly trustful God creates the angelic orders, nine angels in flared coats encircle the heavenly throne; the rope that links them is tugged awry by the ambitious Lucifer until they tumble into a heap. The creation of the naked Adam and Eve is gracefully imag-ined; and Ana Bustorff's intense Mary encounters Gabriel not during her devotions, but while turning hay.

Everyday details adjoin spectacular effects. Strong lighting from the front corners of the stage throw menacing shadows against the rear wall: Herod's soldiers stab at the snatched babes until a red powder bursts out. And whenever an evil councillor is required, Gordon Anderson's into another character and God's plan goes wrong again. The bilingual approach

brings an unexpected gloss by reminding us that Christianity was designer-planned to speak to all nations. At the Mermaid, Os Mistérios become The Mystery Plays once more and, though there are no orange trees fruiting in Blackfriars, audiences should still find food for thought.

The Mystery Plays, at the Mermaid, Puddle Dock, London EC4 (071-410 0000) from tomorrow.



Murderous monarch: Herod (Adam Blackwood) attacks

quences of the BBC's scription — is that if you only catch the second half of something, you know you will be able to catch up with the first half before the week is out.

Two Saturdays ago, the last rugby match of the season (and the celebrations that followed) caused me to arrive home too late for the start of Kaleidoscope (Radio 4), and in no shape to make the most of what was left of it anyway. All I caught was the same, familiar and beautiful song being sung over and over again, and the impression that people were telling me to visit Auntie at Tesco. When the programme was repeated, last Friday night, I found out it was a survey of sopranos and opera directors on the challenges of singing the aria

"Vissi d'arte", from Tosca the singers' equivalent of "To Maria Callas, they all said,

gave the definitive "Vissi d'arte", and on hearing half a Directors, however, do not agree about a definitive staging, and one diva described how she has sung the aria (which Tosca delivers having betrayed her lover and been raped by his enemy) leaning against a table, on her knees and even face down, none of which afford a singer the best use of her diaphragm.

Apart from Record Review,

the World Service programme

different recordings of the same piece, this was among the best exercises in opera

**RADIO REVIEW** 

Hear they come again

dissection I can recall. Thus it was with new confidence and dozen versions in the glorious a re-tuned ear that I settled half-hour, who would argue? a re-tuned ear that I settled down to Carmen in Claire Grove's production on Radio 4, on Easter Saturday singalonga this one, but wait - where was the music? And where, even on radio, were the fancy uniforms and flailing Perverse, I call it. We all

know Carmen is an opera — or rather we all know Carmen as an opera, but in this two-part classic serial we have a rare

mée's original prose story. astutely transposed by Stephen Jeffreys from the 19th century to 1936, with Spain in Carmen (Adjoa Andoh) as a gypsy who will survive whether it means lifting her skin for Franco's officers or flogging ammunition to the communists. José (lain Glen), meanwhile, is a Basque with a Scottish accent who is so besorted by Carmen that at the end of episode one he wouldn't know his aria from a Bolero. 1

think we're going to enjoy this. I thought I was going to enjoy The Legend of Robin Hood (Radio 4. Saturday).

more than I did. It seems like only a formight ago that the director. Nigel Bryant, was galloping us from Norman England, over to the Crusades and back in time for tiffin.

In fact it was only a formigh called Assassins, the little known tale of what became of Thomas à Becket's murderers. This tale is all-too well known. script rattled on lyrically about the greenwood, the wicked Sheriff and the merry men of Sherwood, there was nothing John Nettles could do with the title role to prevent us getting to the punchlines before him.

"Who's this giant coming across the bridge, Tuck?" It's Little John, you idiot, and he's going to dump you in the river. Even Kevin Costner knows that.

PATRICK STODDART

# Moving confidently onto another stage

DANCE IN OPERA

Choreographer Aletta Collins is co-directing Scottish Opera's new Don Giovanni with designer Tom Cairns. Nadine Meisner went to Glasgow to sit in on a still-unusual collaboration

A fier a hard day, Aletta Collins is viewing the world through extreme tiredness. Choreographing for opera, she says, is "mucky and horrible, like wading through mud. You put the cassette on and there are singers belting it out. And you think, What on earth am I supposed to do in the middle of this?" But for Scottish Opera's new

production of Don Giovanni he evidently arrived at a point where the dances did take shape. Final stage rehearsals have been occupying Glas-gow's Theatre Royal, where performances start tomorrow. to the set's tilted floor. Don Giovanni has been testing his seduction holds and Zerlina has been practising her screams, with a few (tempo-

rary) giggles thrown in. Collins is not only responsible for the opera's two set dances and the movement in general, but she is also codirector, with the designer Tom Cairns. The 25-year-old choreographer showed 50 much promise while still a student at London Contemporary Dance School that she was recommended to Steven Pimlott and Cairns when they urgently needed a choreographer for Samson et Dalila at the 1988 Bregenz Festival

At that time she had never sat through a complete opera: and she found herself in charge of 20 Bulgarian ballet dancers who spoke no English. Despite that, Samson et Dalila was a success; it was revived the next year and the

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Since then, besides several straight dance pieces, she has choreographed one of the short films for BBC TV's forthcoming Dance House se-ries: and worked in five operas and one musical. All of these have been with Cairns, except for the large-scale Carmen at Earls Court.

She has been co-director in her last three operas: King Priam for Opera North and the Flanders Opera, La Bohéme for the Stuttgart Opera and now Don Giovanni. She obviously finds this more satisfying than simply slotting in her choreographic services. Although this Don Giovanni is not a "concept" production

— the opera will be free to speak for itself - a designdirector-movement team

clearly makes for a more homogeneous approach. There has been no clear demarcation of responsibilities: Cairns has often directed movement; Collins has sometimes taken rehearsals. During the run-throughs Cairns's restless silhouette stands out in the auditorium, charging along a row of seats to check the stage picture from different angles. Or, with Collins, he

bounds on to the stage, the pair of them hovering round the cast like solicitous parents or Bugaku puppeteers, adjusting limbs, pointing to destinations, or halting everything to demonstrate a walk or discuss motivation. Like dancers, opera singers "mark" their numbers, whispering their way through, so that early rehearslogistics of movement and

With Don Giovanni, Collins has had her first experience of using not professional dancers, but only the singers: 20 chorus and eight soloists. Instead of creating the steps on them, using their bodies to mould the movement as she normally would, she spent one week in London choreographing on two professional dancers, arriving in Glasgow with everything ready.

Because they don't come from a dance background,

they are not interested, for hands ten different ways for you to decide which you like," she explains. "They just want you to tell them what to do and then they'll work their socks off to do it well. So I just started by describing what this dance is

going to be.
"I said it's probably much too hard, but I'm going to teach it to you and the bits that really are too hard, we'll change. But they just did it And wonderfully."

The chorus appreciated her methods. "She knew what she wanted right from the beginning," says one of its members, Stephen Hill. "Some choreographers use you to experiment with. You want to start learning from the first day of rehearsals, but you end up not learning until the last two

days."
Where non-dancers have difficulty is in refining movement. "It's hard to get subtle ballroom minuet dance, the



Solicitous: Aletta Collins rehearsing Scottish Opera

changes," Collins says. "If that's the movement, then that's it." It is not that they can't see or feel a slight variation, but they don't have the carefully attuned hody awareness to understand how it can be achieved. But there is one thing Col-

lins loves about the chorus. "It's not that I don't miss the clarity and refinement of dance, but the chorus have a way of going for the stuff that 1 really like. There's a sense of energy and excitement and effort. It can be quite tricky to get a real dancer not to cover up effort. Yet sometimes you want it to show."

Stephen Hill enjoys the gestural emphasis of Collins's style. "She makes the dances look complicated and interesting by the use of arms rather than fancy footwork." In the

performers flutter their hands like fans and lick their fingers as though overheated and eating cream.

Collins explains: "It's night. the guests are hot and tired they have walked miles to get there. Everybody's a bit too excited: everything goes a hit too far, it all turns into a nightmare." Not for her the museum-perfect recreation of a minuet: but she doesn't want to offer an obtrusive, selfconscious display, either

She has been commissioned to do a second piece for London Contemporary Dance Theatre in January: and together with Cairns and Helen Cooper (translater for this Don Giovanni), she is trying to find funds for a collaborative dance

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# Hard at work in the play lab

hen most adults talk of "play", they mean some-Thing that is trifling, unimportant, of no consequence. "Just playing about," they say. "A cessation from work", says the dictionary. Yet to see children at play is to see real work in progress.

Through play they learn about themselves: how their bodies function - how high they can climb and how hard they can fall; what makes the world work, physical principles that govern matter how tall you can build a tower of bricks and when it will inevitably fall down; what it feels like to be a parent wheeling a baby doll in a pint-sized pram, or a carpenter or a short-order cook dishing out pretend burgers from a miniaturised fast food bar.

Those whose own work is the care and study of children know that play is the work of children, the business by which they learn about life. Toys are the tools of that work, and "tool making" or toy manufac-ture is very big business, a multi-billion dollar business worldwide.

Unlike other businesses, the purchasers are not the end-users. Children do the choosing and parents do the cheque-paying. So, toy manufacturers create their products for this double market. designing the boxes to appeal to the purchasing parent and the contents

to engage the children. Now that parents have been educated to know that playing is learning, toys must

be educational, teaching some-A toy may thing specific. 'stimulate Many toys are now sold in packaging that specifies its auditory educational value. skills'. It An item may "enis, in fact, co-ordination" or stimulate auditory skills". In other a rattle

shakes it, it will make a noise — it is, in fact, a rattle.

Out in East Aurora, not far down the road from downtown Buffalo, in upstate New York are the headquarters of Fisher-Price, International manufacturers of toys, since 1930. Last week I was invited to visit Fisher-Price's Play Laboratory, where they design and evaluate new products. Some of their toys are classics in play — the Chatter Telephone that rings when dialed, rolls its eyes and chatters when pulled along: the Little People Garage with crank-up elevator and parking carousel.

Each year, some 30 per cent of the range is re-designed to keep up with changes in the massive toy Fisher-Price teams of designers sketch and model new ideas, marketing men and design engineers assess how the new toys may be manufactured, packaged and pro-moted. Then they bring in the experts, the professional testers. Children.

in the Play Lab itself, groups of favoured children (the waiting list is more than 6,000 names long), surrounded by a treasure house of brilliantly coloured artefacts that stack, snap together, wind up and pull along, light up, whistle, ring and roar, get on with the vital business of playing.

From behind a one-way mirror, unseen by the children, the design team observes them at play and gets on with its own work. Is the Bubble Mower the right height for the children for whom it is intended? Are the new Dino-Roars "three bright, whimsical dinos" in neon nylon in the right shades? How can



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the Fun Hydrant Sprinkler be adapted to differing international water pressures? The children play on in Aladdin's Cave. The toys that capture their attention will form the basis of the new range. The ones that they reject or abandon go back to the drawing board.

If you ask what makes a good toy, the answer you get will depend on whom you ask. For the design engineer it has to fulfil certain structural and safety requirements. New designs are bumped and bounced, wheels rotated and eyes pulled, toys squashed, stretched and twanged to terminal tolerances, far more ferocious than the crossest toddler in a tantrum.

From the marketing point of view, sizing, packaging and pricing are tested by the ultimate mothers'

meetings in which "focus" groups of parents discuss the toys, themselves observed from behind the mirrors of marketing scrutiny. Will they buy it, how much will they pay for it? Even so, the definition of what

> play with particular toys is elusive. Kathleen Alfano, who runs the Play Lab and is the manager of the child research department at Fisher-Price, offers some suggestions. They are the way children experiment with the world," she says. Toys are vessels for the imagina tion. Pre-schoolers need to be risky with their thinking. Play is whole some, and toys bring out that

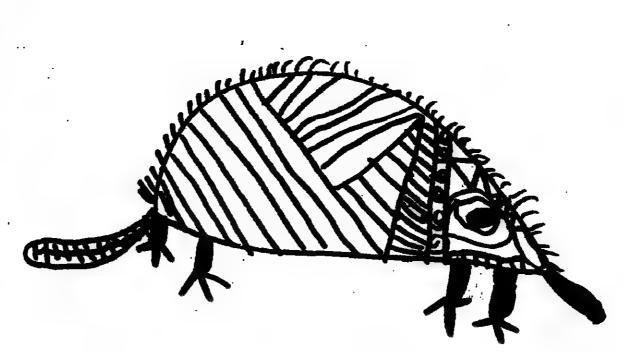
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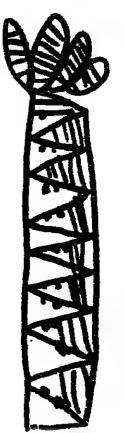
Older ones want to replicate the wider world. They test out ancient games of mothers and fathers, doctors and nurses as well as newer ones that reflect the world they live in: Magic Scan Checkout Counter. Little People McDonald's Restaurant, complete with drive-through window, and gobbling cheeseburg-

When the children's session finished, the group I had been observing left the Play Lab. Outside, the building was flanked by a border of large ornamental peb-bles. The children gravitated towards the pebble bed and began to balance on the precarious arrangement. One six-year-old stooped to

collect "an interesting stone".
"I think it looks like a curied up worm," she said. Perhaps it is the children who are the vessels of imagination, rather than the toys. Their work of creatively evaluating the world continues whether they are being watched or not. Thinking back to the twin images of children at play inside the lab and the toy scientists observing their work, it is interesting to speculate what happens on each side of the observational mirror. Which side was working and which merely at play? Davina Lloyd is the editor of Parenting







Untitled by Daniel, aged five: some say it is dangerous to read too much into pictures; others, such as Claude Santoy, believe assessment of development is possible

# Pictures of confusion

Tour child comes happily out of school, clutching a sticky artistic offering for you - the paint not yet dry. Should you say (a) "thank you. darling, how lovely", and leave it at that, (b) "thank you, darling, how lovely - tell me about it", or (c) "thank you, darling, how lovely" — and scrutinise it for signs of secret

neuroses and insecurities? A book to be published next week by a French graphologist, Claude Santoy, is titled *Interpreting Your* Child's Drawings and Handwrit-ing Toddier To Teen (Robson Books, £8.99). It prescribes the third course of action, proffering a crash course in amateur analysis for the concerned parent. But child psychiatrists, a psychologist and a psychotherapist advise against suc-cumbing to such a temptation, which they feel can lead to drawing dubious - and even dangerous -

conclusions. Of the above, choice (b) is the one they would unanimously recommend. Dilys Daws is the chair of the Child Psychotherapy Trust and a principal child psychotherapist at the family therapy centre at the Tavistock Clinic in London.

most child psychotherapists," she confirms. "You can tell a lot about drawing age and development a child who has difficulty putting ideas together when he's two also won't be able to draw a circle. You see a progression of the ability to conceptualise in drawings, as in

But, she says, as with other forms of development -- some babies walk first and some talk first there is a wide range of norms. "If your little boy is just drawing flowers you might think, 'has this boy got a lot of trouble owning his feelings?" since you would expect a little boy's drawings to have a lot of action or energy in them. Just as, if a girl's drawings are very violent it might be a girl enjoying the

masculine part of herself. "But a concerned parent would probably know these things already about their children, and there is a

world of difference between being a

If a child's pictures show men without hats or houses without windows, can you deduce that he is backward or disturbed?

Victoria McKee looks at a controversy over art and analysis

concerned parent and a therapist."
When drawings are a tool for analysis they are done with a child's knowledge of their purpose. Mrs Daws points out. It's not an n of privacy. And it's what the child says about their drawings

that is important. The act of drawing is a thera-peutic act in itself for the child -- it's putting a shape on feelings, and does not need interpreting," she says. "In therapy the drawing is meant to be an act of communication. You ask the child to draw. saying 'if you draw will you discuss it with me'.

"I can see dangers in parents reading a book like this. They could become as intrusive psychologically as parents overfussing about their children's physical health, wanting to know all the time whether they've moved their bowels."

Mrs Daws disputes some of Ms Santoy's analyses of drawings in below] which she says is the drawing of a 'happy, healthy, well balanced' child is a bit worrying," she says. "I don't like the way the

tongue is hanging out. But you can't deive into such things out of context. Heavy drawings are not always ominous. They can be dealing with passing feelings of anger and should be regarded differently if the child has just had an argument with his parents." Dr Dora Black, a

consultant child psychiatrist at the Royal Free Hospital, in London, was a speaker at Relate's spring conference — talking about her therapeu-tic use of children's drawings and what they could tell about domestic

he warns: "Graphology is a science, although as far as
I'm aware there is no body
of knowledge about children's writing because children are in the process of forming both their writing and their characters. She [Ms Santoy] is using graphological ideas with drawings — for which there isn't the same body of research. And she doesn't mention the recognisable tests that there are. such as the 'Goodenough draw a man' test, which is based on research with thousands of children. It looks at the way children progress in their perception of the human figure, so that the average five-year-old doesn't put fingers in but by the time they're seven they

can be wide variations between a child that is gifted with graphic arts and one who expresses himself in

different ways, through words or

Drawn by a 'happy, healthy, well balanced' six-year-old?

music. This is good news to parents who nervously wonder why, when they visit their child's classroom, all the other children have drawn houses complete with lace curtains and welcome mats and their own child has scribbled a windowless

The author makes very categorial statements but never quotes the research evidence on Dr Black says, "and she sometimes makes contradictory statements: she says one child has a 'possible psychological fragility but is 'intelligent, perseverant, healthy and well-balanced'. Well, he can't be psychologically frail and wellbalanced.

"Of the pictures on pages 82-83 [ would agree that the one on page 83 is a normal picture for a six-year-old but I don't think I could deduce from it that the boy was extremely curious about sex just from the tell that the little girl [drawing shown below] is very spoilt and gets what she wants, although I would agree with her that

> Dr Black agrees with Mrs Daws that you cannot analyse drawings without the child. One child was on the verge of being chiatrist because he was colouring everything black — which Dr Black says is often a sign sion. It was only when someone thought to ask the child why he was colouring every-thing black that the

this is a 'normal'

picture, too."

five-year-old gave a perfectly logical explanation: "My teacher said she wanted us to use dark colours so she could see them well," he said. "so I thought black was the darkest colour there was."

Dr Joan Freeman, a child psy chologist specialising in the development of gifted children, uses drawings as a diagnostic aid. She ment of the "Goodenough draw a man" test. "It was developed by Florence Goodenough in the presecond world war period when men wore hats and jackets, and children got marks for how many details they included in the dawing — such as hats or the number of buttons on a jacket," she says. "As fashions change, a test such as this must change, and it would be different for different cultures."

But she does note that "there are very distinct drawing stages. The sky and the earth don't join up, for example, until about the age of seven. That's a significant stage. And children always start with tadpole men - big bodies with stick hands and legs - and then progress to more details. It would be wrong to try to give exact ages or gifted children usually reach these stages earlier. They may not be brilliant artists, but they can conceptualise things such as the

earth and sky meeting."

Dr Arnon Bentovim, a consultant child psychiatrist at the Great Ormand Street children's hospital, London, says that "being interested in your children's drawings is a good idea. Interpreting them is not. Certainly we encourage children to draw as a means of communicating. But a therapeutic role is not one for parents, and if their child was disturbed they should know without drawings or handwriting.

Mrs Daws concludes: "Creativity is all about expressing feelings through symbols. If you think of any great painting or poem or novel, underlying feelings are being expressed. You do not always need to know what they are in order

to appreciate the work of art."



Model nannies: Norland College has put its weight behind the calls for regulation

A meeting this week will set out a proposal for Britain's first formal nanny register

#### you are booking a holiday or hiring a plumber, you have a choice about whether you protect yourself by going through a travel firm that belongs to ABTA or your plumber has initials after his name. No such security blanket exists when you employ a

nanny, This week a meeting will take place between the National Nursery Examination Board (NNEB), the Federation of Recruitment and Employment Services (FRES) and FRES's parliamentary advisor, Patrick Cormack MP, to discuss a proposal to be sent to the health minister, to set up Britain's first nanny register.

Christine Little, the director of FRES (which has 53 nanny agencies out of a total membership of 3,000) says: "There is clearly a need for some sort of record of who is suitable to care for other people's child-ren. The childminders are registered, the social workers are going to be registered, we need to look into whether nannies should be on a register."

The issue of a register from which nannies with court convictions, or who are unsuitable for other reasons, can be struck off came to a head after the trial last November of Carol Withers, who was found guilty of inflicting grievous bodily harm on two babies. Ms Withers did the NNEB course but failed the final exams and went on to work as a nanny for several years. She fractured the skull of three-week-old Jade. the daughter of Anthony and

# **Should a nanny** be struck off?

Erica Ferrari. (Jade has since Ferrari believes a nanny register could help screen out such people as Ms Withers.

Although Norland College. the nanny training college, has been pressing for a register for ten years, the NNEB has been reluctant to set up a formal register for its 125,000 contactable graduates (who complete a two-year nursery nurse course at colleges of further education). But growing concern from organisations such as the Working Mothers Association (WMA). as well as parents and the the NNEB and FRES to take

In June the WMA, a voluntary organisation representing parents and nannies, is hosting talks on the subject of a register. Representatives from the health ministry, the NNEB, FRES, the Norland College and the Professional Association of Nursery Nurses (PANN), are being invited to

The WMA, set up ten years ago, has its own childcare handbook and gives advice to its 2,000 working parent and corporate members. The director, Lucy Daniels, says: "For

too long everyone has thought that a namy register would be a good thing but because it is complicated and controversial, it hasn't happened. Now I think there is a real need to address the problem, however

Louise Davis, the principal of Norland College and a member of the NNEB board, has campaigned for an NNEB register for years, but now she would like a register to include all nannies, trained or not. "Further legislation for childminders was included in the 1989 Children Act and the concept of a person's fitness to look after children did feature. which was progress. Unfortu-nately, childcare in the home was left out because it was considered a different and

private matter. "I think parents and the government have to consider professionalising childcare. They have to consider, for example, whether it is acceptable to leave an untrained, inexperienced teenager in charge of young children alone all day with no support

while parents are out at work." Despite the difficulties of legislating over care at home, Mrs Davis feels that the cause of better educated, better qualcussion. In the long term, Robert Chantry-Price, the head of the NNEB, would like to see nannies having a statutory qualification and he believes that to work effectively a register would have to be statutory, too.

Mrs Davis emphasises that a register would benefit both nanny and parents: "I don't see it as an inspectorate, I see it as a way of giving a nanny support in what is often a quite difficult and lonely job."

he says that Norland's own register, which has been operating for more than a century, works well. The NNEB confers its diploma for life, we have always reserved the right to withdraw ours. In 12 years I have not done so, though I have issued

Significantly, in the WMA's health mininstry funded re-port "Day Care in the Home", published in March, nearly half of the parents surveyed were wary about having a register. Doubts revolved around the feeling that its enforcement would be too difficult, that it would push up namny wages and that it would be an infringement of privacy.

The June talks are intended to tackle the following ques-tions: should the register be voluntary initially, then statutory? What would its powers be? Who would be on it - only nannies with a recognised qualification? Could untrained but experienced nannies join under separate sections? What information would the register contain? Would the register see that nannies were checked by the police for criminal records? (People with substantial access to children, such as teachers, social workers and childminders, are checked by the police.) Could the local authorities administrate the police checks? Is it feasible for the police to add to their

"checking" duties? Further, the question would arise of who would have access to the register. Under what circumstances could a nanny be removed from the register and for how long? And would there be a procedure whereby a nanny could appeal, as

doctors are able to do? Finally, could the health minister be persuaded to provide pump priming funds to set up the register? Once it is up and running, its proposers believe it could be kept funded by subscriptions from members and search fees from

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# Loyalties torn by distant conflict

Jon Stock reports on the effect of civil war on the Serbs and Croats

who live together in London



War bulletins: watching Belgrade TV in a London hotel

atjana, a 19-year-old woman from Slovenia, is still shocked by what happened to her two weeks ago. Sitting in a tiny bedsit flat in Shepherds Bush, west London, she talks nervously. "I was singing at a local wine bar, just up the road from here. It is very popular with Serbians. Everyone was very drunk, and I was about to "What A Wonderful World" by Louis Armstrong. Instead, I decided to sing a traditional Slovenian folk song first. They hated it. I thought they would soit at me. It was terrible, I didn't expect that. Afterwards I was desperate. If it wasn't for my friends, I don't know what I would

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have done." When civil war broke out last summer between Slovenia and Serbia, and then spread to Croatia, thousands of young people fled their homes to avoid the fighting. Many of them are now living in Britain. either illegally or having sought refugee status from the

Tatjana hitchhiked across the Continent to Britain last October with her Slovenian friend, Judita. They live to-gether, sharing their flat with three others, among them a Serb and a Macedonian.

London has had a large Serbian population since immediately after the second world war, during which King Peter II of Yugoslavia, a Serb, sought refuge in Britain. The Orthodox Serbian Church in Notting Hill estimates that there are 15,000 Serbs living in the capital. There are considerably fewer Croatians (800 accordin. to the Croaman Catholic Mission). Until recently, they have lived side by side in relative harmony in London. However, as the fighting in Yugoslavia intensifies, particularly in Bosnia-Herzegovina, where Serbs, Croats and Muslims are engaged in an increasingly bloody war, relations in London have become

strained. On election night in London the founder of the Croatian Society, Count Louis Doimi de Lupis, invited a small group of

Croatians to his house off Launceston Place, London W8, to discuss the fighting in Bosnia. Many of his guests' home towns had been all but destroyed by relentless bombing.

duded academics, an estate agent, and Father Drago, a priest who runs the Croatian Catholic Mission in London. One mature student, Gordana Baranovic from Sibenik, was close friends with a Serb living in London. They had known each other since 1975, when Mrs Baranovic arrived in Britain. They fell out after the Serbian army subjected Sibenik to a particularly heavy bombardment.

"My sister phoned me," hear her crying, her baby was screaming. My father was asking if he could come and dral. I saw my town in all the newspapers. My Serbian

Then one day she rang me and asked how I was. She upset me by saying that the Serbian army would sort out all the mess. What mess? I said. 'You started it.' It's very sad. I used to go along to the Serbian church with her. Our relationship was very close. She now describes me as her

While Mrs Baranovic was recounting her story, a group of Serbs was gathering, around a television at the Hotel Rayna Gora, on Holland Park Avenue in London, watching Belgrade ·TV on satellite. Radomir Jovanic runs the hotel. "I have been living here for 20 years and I have met one Croat," he says. She was a nice girl, but she wouldn't marry me because I am a Serb. in London, the war

"Last week we organised a charity concert for Croatia," the Count said. "There are many more Serbs living in London than Croats. We can only kill them culturally. We are never going to give up."

The assembled guests in-

Mrs Baranovic said. "I could sleep on my floor here in London. I saw pictures on the news of our damaged cathefriend didn't ring me for a few

ex-meno, an extremist

has divided us even more."



Armed truce: Serbian territorial soldiers during a UN-negotiated ceasefire in January. Amongst the emigré population in London, the battle-lines are still drawn, however

when she hears that such views are being openly expressed. She points out that both Mrs Baranovic and Mr Jovanic have been living here for a long time, and are of a different generation. The Serbs who heckled her at the wine har were also older. For many young people escaping Yugoslavia, she explains, London is a place where they can live in peace together, a

he introduces me to in Croatia. He was smuggled into Britain last October. "He was the most desperate man i nave eve met." Tatjana says. "He had seen a lot of blood, and been asked to fight against friends. He was fighting against Slovenia, my country, but we are very close. We accept him

their humanity.

Last August, Milan was serving with the federal army, a predominantly Serbian force. He fought in a battle at Zagreb airport in Croatia, where his family still lives. After finishing his national service for the federal army, he Tatjana shakes her head was called up by the Croatian

defence force. His mother rang him last week to say the Croatian police are looking for him. His name and photo are in the local press.

"I didn't know who to fight any more," Milan says. "I am a Serb, but many of my friends are Croatians. If I go back to Croatia, I will be sentenced to five years imprisonment. But I will probably be shot first by the people for not being there haven where they can regain in a time of need."

Milan's friend, Zvonimir, is a deserter from the federal army, and lives in the same tiny bedsit. Five of them sit around, smoking when they can afford it and eating once a day. They have few possessions, and wear the same afraid to talk or have their

Zvonimir is from Volvodina. an autonomous part of Serbia. Before he was called up, he was training to be a journalist. 'I had a great life in Yugosiavia. I am 24. I had my own house, a car. I always had enough money, my town was wealthy. Now I am here, I

have nothing." He arrived in Britain last August and lived on the streets for three months. He worked casually, until finally applying

#### 'We can only kill them culturally. We are never going to give up'

for refugee status from the Office. After six months, he will be given a work permit. In the meantime, his rent is paid for by housing benefit and he re-ceives £28 a week. "London is the one city in all the world where you can find a job just by going from shop to shop and asking. You can't do that

anywhere else," he says. "In Germany, for example, they ask for papers. Here nobody asks you for anything." Milan and Zvonimir both have many Croatian friends. Shepherds Bush and the surrounding area, traditionally

popular with Serbs, is filling up with Yugoslavians of all ethnic origins. Once he was convinced that I was not from the Home Office, Milan agreed to take me to a basement flat in Hammersmith to

meet Ivan (not his real name),

a Croatian friend. Ivan came

with Vlado, a Bosnian Serb. His visa has run out and he is hoping that the Home Office will let him stay.

to Britain in 1990 and is living

Milan remains quiet as Vlado and Ivan joke about killing each other. They say it is the only way they can cope with the war. Their relationship has, if anything, improved since their respective states started fighting each

'But you have to be careful." Ivan says. "Before, when you met anyone from Yugoslavia, you were happy and hugged them as a brother. Now you have to shut up, you don't know what they might do or

say. There are a lot of extremists in London now.

Last October, Croatia asked its citizens to return to defend their state. Ivan was tempted. but resisted. Now it is too late. If he goes back, he will be shot as a deserter, perhaps even by his friends, he says. "I rang my mother to ask her," he says 'She said 'If you come back, you will no longer be my son. You cannot stay at our house. She knew that I would be

Milan returns to his flat. where we all sit around, listening to a tape of Tatjana "What A Wonderful

# St George and the bull

t George got around a bit. In life, according to the version reported by Metaphrastes, he was a rather grand Cappadocian soldier under Diocletian during the third century, he visited England, organised Christianity in Armenia, declared his faith to

his leader and was tortured and put to death. Since then, his relics have performed miracles in France, the Orthodox Eastern Church and Islam both honour him, he has been patron of Genoa. Venice, Portugal, Aragon and Germany as well as of England, the protector of the Italian city of Ferrara and the avenger of women, a model of knighthood, a hero to the Crusaders. Calvin impugned his very existence. In Valdikavkaz, the cap-

ital of North Osetia, they disagree. North Osetia is a tiny autonomous republic. population 643,000, near Georgia in the Russian Federation and according to Robert Chenciner, an eth-

nographer and a senior member of St Antony's College, Oxford, the North Osetians are edectic polytheist pagans whose favourite saint is St George. They call him Wastyrdzhy and instead of giving him a single feast day (as the English do on April 23), each November they celebrate him with a week of constant Mr Chenciner was in Vladikavkaz for

the festival of Wastyrdzhy last year. He stayed with the Dstusey family in a modern suburb. Among the tower-blocks was a single-storey building, built five years ago by public subscription, for holding feasts. Inside, three long tables were being set and decorations were being

hung for the celebrations. Wastyrdzhy. Mr Chenciner says, is patron of men and of masculine activity. such as hunting and fighting. He is portrayed wearing a white burka (a hairy felt cloak with grotesquely wide shoulders) and riding on a three-legged white horse. Quite unlike his Western version, this

In part of Russia England's patron saint

inspires wild devotion



Party time: Vladikavkaz residents boil an animal for their feast

George is considered dangerous to women, but this is quite logical when you consider the local personage with whom he became combined.

In North Osetia he merged with a fellow from the Iranian Nart Epic. The Narts were giants, and Wastyrdzhy had a great passion for one of the female Narts. She would not have him, but his passion was unabated and after her death he "visited" her in her grave, and fathered on her Satana, one of the great Nart

Mr Chenciner went to market with the Datusevs to buy animals to sacrifice to Wastyrdzhy. "If a family isn't well off. they'll buy a ram, which costs about £10." he says. "If they're rich, they buy a bull, for about £100. The feast goes on for a week, and it's rather like Christmas - you prepare your feast for one of the days, and on the others you go to your friends and relations. The women don't take part; they sit in the other room and get bored, and

are brought a plate of food. There was a vast 300-litre pot on a welded steel trivet, bubbling away, with a

chopped up bull inside it. Next to it was a 50-litre vat with the intestines and choice innards. They kill the animal by tying it down by the horns and cutting its throat with a dagger, with singing and prayers for health, good fortune, and St George's ROBERT CHENCENER help. They pray to the devil, too, just to make

> Mr Chenciner adds that it is very important when serving the meat to in-clude the head. This is because of a terrible legend about some Nart prisoners who were served meat by their captors, and wanted to know what it was - it turned out, of course, to be boiled Nart.

that guests know they are not being made into There is also a complicated ritual involving the right ear of the animal: it is cut off, cut in three

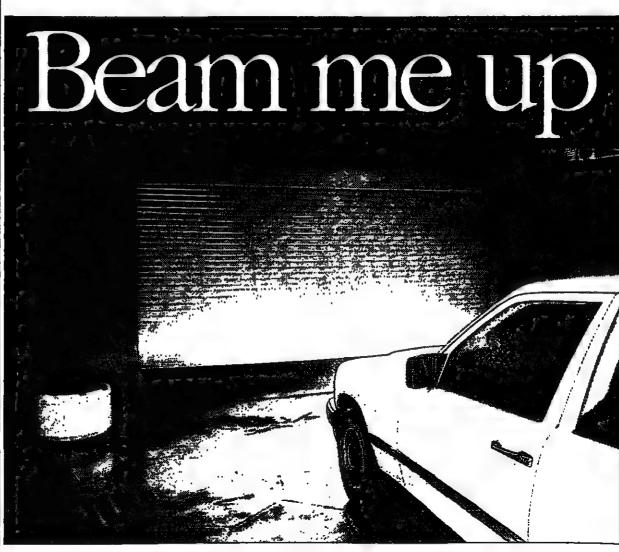
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vertically, then the three eldest men present balance a slice across a glass, which they raise in toast and pass to the three youngest, who pass back their glasses to the eldest. "Everyone drinks toasts, the gist of which is that the younger men should heed the elder, be wise in his head and strong in his neck, and then the younger men eat the slices of ear and knock back their drink," Mr Chenciner says. "I was the oldest youngest. The ear

was sweet and crunchy." Sunday is the culmination of celebrations, and hundreds of people drive to a twelfth-century church of St George in Dzvgis for a blessing. Men and women queue up separately for blessings, and there is even male and female food: flat loaves with cheese inside are female. boiled meat on the bone is male.

At the church, Mr Chenciner noticed three modern pictures of St George on horseback, slaying the dragon. "There was a picture of Stalin, too," he says. "It's not much like morris dancing, is it?"

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# 'Fight for survival can be a fight for quality'

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regulatory hand from the Independent Broadcasting Authority also kept them on their toes between

What finally made the ending of the system inevitable was not the incongruity of its economics or dissatisfaction with its performance. It was the fact that new technologies, particularly satellite and cable, made watertight mo-nopolies, of the kind ITV had enjoyed, unfeasible.

Competition in broadcasting was being introduced under its own impetus. The ITV companies were as aware of this as anybody. While they were quick to point out that there was no discernible public clamour for more television programmes, they accepted that new technologies made expansion and competition impossible to resist, argued for a sensible transition to be made and offered a blueprint for achieving it.

Sadly, the government opted for a route that was more certain than most to imperil programming the lunacy of selling licences to the highest hidders.

There is no need to go over that ground again, but the results of the move are now coming into public view nine months before the new licences come into effect. ITV licence holders have bid ridiculously high or ludicrously low sums for the right to stay in business from the end of this year onwards.

The overall climate of uncertainty is such that few companies will want to be mainstream programme producers or will be able to afford to do so on any scale other than competency.

The incentives of tax concessions for programme spending and the need to seek renewal of the contract at regular intervals that were positive encouragements to programme experimentation and flair have gone. The new franchises are, in effect, open-ended as long as promises are kept and a reasonable standard of behaviour maintained. Most of the leading companies will opt for the less-hazardous course of dismantling studio installations and relying on independents for the bulk of their production. What programmes they do make will inevitably be

influenced by the need to reduce The publisher-broadcaster ap- commissioning programmes rather than creating

them — is perfectly legitimate. Indeed, it was one of the options made available by the Independent Television Commission (ITC) to those seeking a franchise.

However, the disappearance of major companies from direct production on anything like the familiar scale in turn raises problems. It presupposes that there is an independent production sector mature enough to offer a high volume of diverse programming capable of satisfying the demands of a market-led, rather than programmeled, schedule.

Furthermore, if regional companies reduce their in-house production to token levels, the regional structure of ITV - its most distinctive characteristic - will be fundamentally weakened.

uts in regional production to the minimum level of local news and features undermine the whole concept of regional centres of excellence on which ITV was built. London will regain the broadcasting monopoly it took so much effort. to break, and with it the monopoly of independent production.

The ITV companies collectively are committed to producing a network schedule costing nearly £500 million in 1993. This is an inescapable obligation which has to be met. The ITC has made clear its intention to hold licensees to the programme promises they made in their franchise applications. Any business plan which fails to take account of this is built on sand.

The question for ITV companies is not whether they carry out their commitments, but how; and the estion for the ITC is how to react the companies collectively say they cannot afford a high-cost network schedule and seek to take advantage of the increased allowance - from 15 per cent to 35 per American programmes.

Finding satisfactory answers will require collaboration between every sector of the industry. In particular, the regulatory barriers which prevent ITV companies combining in stronger, more viable units - a relic of the artificial world we are now

leaving — need to be removed.

Already there is evidence of joint advertising sales and joint use of facilities, and not just between JTV companies the BBC also has an interest in cost savings that allow a concentration of resources on

The ITV system, facing full-blooded competition for the first

time, cannot sustain the 15 separate companies which managed to stay in business while the original monopoly lasted. Those companies that could afford it subsidised those that who could not. Programmes were made to service a monopoly and bore little relation to the revenue they earned. Value-pricing will now enter the

jargon of programme supply. Programmes will be sold to ITV at prices that reflect the value of the advertising monies they bring. This will inflict damage on those programmes that have been a public service feature of the ITV schedule: documentaries that take time, patience and tenacity; current affairs that is courageous enough to take risks with authority in pursuit of the public's right to know; and location drama that searches for allusion. originality, characterisation and atmosphere as well as telling a

The secondary market of valuable repeats — programmes with a proven demographic appeal for advertisers and a lower-than-original material price - will have an obvious appeal to broadcasters who have bid high for their licences.

Does it all matter? Will our political masters continue to show the same indifference to the concerns of the broadcasters and the viewing public as they have in recent years? Or will one or other of the parties be prepared to look again at what, after all, is one of Britain's international success What is needed is a re-examina-

tion of the regulatory barriers which prevent ITV companies combining in stronger, more viable units. Agreement must be reached within Europe for consistent and fair rules of ownership of television companies. The disparity of wealth because of the bidding process is aircady creating tensions and conflicts and needs urgent attention.

There is also a need to make an early declaration of an Intention to continue to fund the BBC by a licence fee, so that its programme makers can recover their confidence and plan for the future.

Properly organised, the fight for survival can also be a fight for quality. If it is won, the prime beneficiaries will be those who have most to gain from the victory - the viewers, or, shall we say, the Are black journalists exploited by their editors? Lesley Thomas reports

# Pride and prejudice

lection day saw an inva-sion by Fleet Street journalists of the sleepy spa town of Cheltenham in Claurestershire This came as no surprise to the locals. As a seat that was expected to change hands and as one of the earliest results to be announced, the eyes of the nation were on the Cheltenham poli.

But, despite the political impor-tance of Cheltenham, some news editors wanted to focus solely on John Taylor, the black Conservative candidate. Rather than a political story, they wanted a race story, and where possible they assigned a black journalist to the task.

In recent years, race has become an unofficial specialist news subject which has presented black journal ists with a dilemma. While the university of life has made black reporters more aware than their white counterparts of the sensitiv-ities involved in racial issues — and therefore better qualified to cover so-called black stories - many want to prove themselves in other areas. Making it to Fleet Street is difficult enough for black journalists, the argument runs, and the last

thing they need once they get there

is to feel that they are only there as

smacks of tokenism. Did news desks expect Mr Taylor to bare his soul exclusively to their black reporters? One black journalist who covered the Cheltenham story said he had volunteered to go because he was interested in Mr Taylor's candidacy, although he added that on the whole he tried to avoid specialising in "black" stories because of the danger of people thinking that is all he is good at.

Another journalist saw no connection between his race and his assignment, even though he was not normally a political corres-pondent. He said they were all mucking in" for the election.

in much the same way that female interviewees are expected to be more open with female journalists, it seems that black journalists are expected to get a better story where race is an issue. News editors appear to believe their black reporter will be privy to inside informa-

tion denied to white reporters.

When the cases of the three Tottenham men (two of whom were black) charged with the murder of PC Keith Blakelock during the Broadwater Farm riors of 1985 reached the Court of Appeal, several papers sent black journalists, rather than their chief crime or



On the trail: several black journalists were assigned to cover the Rev Al Sharpton's visit to Britain

law correspondents, to cover the story. One experienced black BBC reporter appeared on screen for the first time in his broadcasting career, having previously been limited to voiceovers.

When the controversial American black rights campaigner the Rev Al Sharpton visited Britain last year, at least five black journalists were hot on his trail.

David Upshal, the chairman of the Black Journalists' Association, says pressure on black journalists in both broadcast and print is great. "On the one hand they are possessed of a specialist knowledge which can be brought to a black story. On the other hand they don't want to be ghettoised. There is ilways a fear that you are being given a story not because of your ability, but because of your colour. which can be soul-destroying."

The black journalist who allows black stories to be covered by white journalists is often a brave one. Some advise budding black journalists to avoid black stories in the early stages of their careers, although it may be hard to sit back and watch a white journalist deal with a racial story in a way they consider inept. It is more important, it is suggested, that they should make their names as allrounders, until they feel secure enough to pick and choose.

Some black journalists feel dutybound to take up black stories. Mr Upshal explains: "We are not just black journalists. We are also black viewers and readers. As such we are all too aware of the negative way in which black people are portrayed in the mainstream media. Often this is because of sloppy journalism and sometimes it is down to deliberate

"Either way, many black journalists feel they have a responsibility to ensure that the images reflect more accurately the community of which

f the handful of black journalists working for national publications, bitterly criticised for allowing themselves to be abused by tabloid newspapers. Mr Upshal points to some articles — written by black journalists — which have been

critical of the black community. There is a cynical use of some black reporters," he says. "I have seen stories that have been damning of black people below the photo byline of a black reporter. Certain newspapers have felt that they can get away with printing a particular type of black story if it has a black author. And they go to the length of printing a picture of the writer to make their point."

The main problem facing black journalists in the national arena is that there are not enough of them. In most cases they are the only black journalist on their publication or production team, and as such it is often assumed that they are there merely as a token - even though it is more likely that they have had to work twice as hard as their white colleagues to prove

Mr Upshal says it is crucial that more black journalists become successful journalists. "It has always been the aim of the Black Journalists' Association to improve the image of black people in the media," he says. "Implicit in this is that we need more black journalists '

In America, it is not unusual to see four or five black journalists working on high-profile newspa-pers, and black faces in broadcasting are commonplace. recruitment of talented black people in the American media has been cited as a reason for the proliferation of images of positive black role models

"There is no shortage in Britain of talented black journalists". Mr Upshal says, "and we want to see more of them breaking into the national circuit on their merits." ● Lesiey Thomas is the political editor of The Voice.

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# Liberty with the tabloid touch

Britain's more colourful and raucous papers are good for free speech and democracy, says Jane Reed

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think it was at the recent European Press Assises, sitting in a room the size of a Legislation for the football pitch listening to Euro-worthies elevate journalism to the Elysian plane, that finally sickened me. Scribblers and hacks. union reps, entrepreneurs and company directors were all claiming proprietorial rights on freedom

This was an extraordinary scene of self-aggrandisement and doublespeak. The journalists, seekers after freedom of speech — and any story that will keep the news editor off their backs for another day - were represented by the unions. The leader of the unions said, in an extraordinary leap of logic, that "freedom of speech goes hand in hand with deteriorating terms and conditions", thus claiming the high ground against the proprietors. Now we all know the proprietors are hot on the kind of treedom of speech - commercial and editorial - that leaves them free to sell as many papers as they can to as many

people as possible. What I was witnessing was the turning of a fundamentally good idea called journalism - let's inform and entertain the people -creed, freedom of speech, its own hierarchy of canons and prelates, its own warring factions of popularism versus intellectual purity. And, inev-

itably, its own inquisitions. "Are you, or were you ever, a tabloid journalist? At the pearly gates of this new religion, Kelvin MacKenzie will have to answer to journalism's self-appointed inquisi-tors for his perceived sins. There will be no forgiveness. Tabloid

journalism despoils the creed. The speech we seek to keep free must be written only in the ways laid down by the established "church" using an approved lexicon. And it must be read only by those of a prescribed intellectual ability. This religious order would rather have a few right and likeminded followers than a burgeon-

ing parish of pluralistic thinkers.
So just who are these high priests? What is their bill of indictment? And do they truly represent the lay millions who read The

state. The "church" is represented by the editors and scribblers at the high altar of the quality papers who want to flick the dandruff of tabloids off their papal shoulders: why must those tabloid journalists do what every other journalist does. so obviously.

The "state" is the officials and parliamentarians who feel uneasy with an untarned press which is not indebted to its government for subsidies and special favours and will not be restrained from holding public officials up to ridicule. Questions about the power of the press are hot. Did Basildon man

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Black and white: although denounced by the "high priests", Britain's tabloids seem to be doing something right — more young people choose to read them than does the adult population as a whole

swing the election and is the only influence on his political thinking The Sun? And if so, did he enter the polling booth like a zombie devoid of all free will? I do not think so. But perhaps I have more respect for Basildon man's intelligence than

does the Labour party.
Undoubtedly, the press has power.
Undoubtedly, responsibility must go hand in hand with that power. But to paraphrase Pat Chapman, the editor of the News of the World, at the Association of British Editors' seminar: Ethel of Dagenham has a very different view of what constitutes power and responsibility to that of, for in-stance, Donald Trelford. This makes neither of them right and neither of them wrong. Just differ-ent. The intellectual high ground, of course, will award the broadsheet view more column inches than it will give to Ethel of Dagenham, even if Ethel's views are often more cogently expressed.

The broadsheets do the press in this country no good by constantly berating the tabloids for what they see as their excesses. And the regional papers that claim to have a monopoly of the common man's respectability would do well to remember that complaints against them from the common man to the Press Complaints Commission outnumber those against the tabloids.

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By comparison, the American press, we are told, is breathing its last. There are several theories about why this should be. One is that it just lay down and died in front of the audiovisual invasion. Another that it is dying slowly as its tabloid strength ebbs away. With some notable exceptions,

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the only daily paper in most American towns is full of verbal diarrhoea written by graduates of right-thinking schools of journal-ism. Every single word has been objectively balanced out of its brain and pressed into acres of de-hydrated prose.

In the past 20 years, American newspapers overall have lost almost three times as many readers as have UK papers. Most of them are in the younger age group, but contrary to current thinking, people between 21-25 years in America may not have lost the reading habit to the television screen. In fact, their reading is increasing, but not of newspapers. Young America is reading more books and magazines instead.

The British tabloids, on the other

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hand, seem to be doing something right because more young people choose to read tabloids than does the adult population as a whole.

You may deplore the fact that young people like the fast read of the tabloids. But at least they are reading newspapers and news stories: 50 to 60 a day in The Sun (against 60 to 65 a day in The Independent, by the way). They are reading properly constructed sentences with verbs (yes, bonking is a verb), in grammatical — if not always the Queen's — English.

And isn't it this often raucous, colourful, challenging style of writing that keeps people on the edge of their seats — particularly young people? There is courage in tabloid ournalism - sometimes misplaced, often reckless but never

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timid. And the young, with their unease about privacy and the right black-and-white view of the world. of reply. It raised issues and relate to it.

The Americans have free speech enshrined in their constitution and they cherish it. We have no constitution, no automatic right of free speech. Therefore the British press. like children testing the patience of their parents, push and jostle to see just what is meant by free, until someone says stop. I think although I am not sure - that I prefer this: it means our rights and freedoms are constantly being tested and examined, not against a rigid constitution but against what is acceptable in a constantly chang-

ing society. In any search for acceptable standards it is inevitable that we run into the question of excess. But the word itself is a value judgment. What is "too much"? How far is "too far"? And who should answer those questions?

In a democracy, obviously the people must answer. And there are enough examples of the reader dictating publishing policy: the Star struggling uncomfortably into, and out of, Sunday Sport's tacky underwear, or Sun readers' reaction to its coverage of the Hillsborough tragedy. Every editor knows in his heart which stories he wished he had not run; and if he cannot hear his heart, he can

Working on the inside of the industry, we can see the reins being applied by the readers every day. But on the outside, this is not so obvious. Nor. it can be argued, is reader power always enough.

Clearly the media are not exactly like every other product. The Sun does have marginally more influence than a baked bean. And for that reason the media need more attention paid to them by the public than does a baked bean. A debate was, and is, necessary.

Parliament does not always represent the people, but in retrospect I think it verbalised some public

awareness, and it proposed remedies, some of which the very people who espoused them now admit are

unworkable. Reason prevailed. We had Calcun. Free-range editors paced the floor, grawing on their fists desperately trying to maintain the tabloid punch while changing their editorial tone of voice. In an effort to dissociate themselves from Calcun criticisms, elements of the press put the blame entirely at the tabloid end of the market, conveniently forgetting their own lapses.

rom the reader's point of Complaints Commission. view, the post-Calcun Press unencumbered by a remit to define and support free speech, is a much more satisfactory stick for the consumer's benefit than the previous Press Council.

To rubbish the tabloids, to blame

them for the ills of the press, to ascribe to them base and sinister motives, ranging from bringing down the monarchy to trying to destroy the moral fabric of society is easy. But no sane person really believes this. These stories are as baseless as Sunday Sport's silly air brushed picture of a baby born with a pig's snout and ears. However reluctantly. I have to agree that we should be free to read even that.

As John Milton said: "Promiscuous reading is necessary to the constituting of human nature ... The attempt to keep out evil doctrine by licensing is like the exploit of that gallant man who thought to keep out the crows by shutting the park gate ... Give me the liberty to know, to utter and to argue freely according to conscience, above all liberties." Right on, John.

This is a condensation of an article which appeared in British Journalism Review. Jane Reed is the director affairs for New

# And now for a quiet life . . .

climbed out of the car, my legs cramped after being riven at 110mph down the A1 from Huntingdon. We had been determined to get to Smith Square before John Major. It was 4.46 in the morning: during our journey the general election of 1992 had been won and lost.

Conservative Central Office was ablaze with light, and the air was full of balloons and flags. Crowds swayed backwards and forwards, camera lights picking out small groups of happy people in the dark-ness. There was chanting from a group of tough-looking char-acters near the massed tele-vision cameras: "Privatise the

It seemed a popular opinion that night. The Sunday Express journalist Bruce Anderson, often mistaken for a Conservative Central Office press officer, was heard to describe the way in which the BBC would now be dismembered - as though he were a 17th-century judge sentencing a regicide.

Kenneth Baker expressed his anger at the BBC's election coverage and threatened revenge. In the hallway of Central Office 100 cameramen and photographers jostled and sweated, waiting for Mr Major's arrival. I could still hear the chant drift in through the open doors: "Privatise the BBC!" "Doesn't sound too good," said one of my colleagues, like an explorer listening to the noise of drum-

ming in the jungle. There was no shortage, certainly, of people in the upper reaches of the Conservative party who felt angry with the BBC. There were new complaints about its election coverage and old ones about the remaining senior cabinet min-

The BBC is unlikely to be under threat with John Major in Downing

Street, John Simpson believes

public meeting "tame". There was annoyance, too, that during the run-up to the election the 9 O'Clock News should have led with three minutes of a Neil Kinnock

speech before dealing with a

John Major one: as though the

Tories were German holidaymakers who had to put their towel on the first place in the news bulletins every day. Perhaps the complaint referred to the Tuesday night before polling day, when the Con-

servatives managed to let their final, climactic rally over-run and Mr Major failed to finish his speech until 9.06. As if they were a Victorian duke at a railway station, the critics seemed to think the BBC should have held the news until they were ready to board. If you are the governing

party of the country and face the possibility of losing an election, little things like these mean a lot. The BBC had powerful enemies at the top of the party. Of those in Mr Major's previous cabinet who would probably like to see the BBC dismantled, one. Kenneth Baker, is now out of the action. But two other

Today programme, and there was the little matter of my daring to call Mr Major's first Yet as I stood in the hallway of Central Office in the early hours of April 10, I could not believe that serious politicians would use trivial complaints as an excuse for breaking the world's best-known broadcasting service on the wheel and distributing its reeking quarters around the

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country. We have, after For all its failings, the before. Margaret Thatcher BBC has a gave the impresreal hold on of the BBC than the nation's had a dear unaffections derstanding of the way the Brit-

about it. At the Group of Seven summit in Venice she stupefied the foreign journalists who attended her final news conference by launching into a long attack Afterwards, as we walked

together to the television interview room, I started to defend it. She stopped and laid her hand on my arm, smiling she was warmer and less imperial in those days - and the security men behind us cannoned into one another in surprise. "My dear, you are sensitive," she said soothingly; and then, in a lower voice which I had to strain to hear: "Don't you see it's all part of

Not all her followers have realised it was just a game. In 1986, when American planes bombed Libya from British bases, Norman Tebbit, as the chairman of the Conservative party, launched an attack on the BBC's coverage. I was summoned from an unappetising lunch in the BBC canteen to help with the drafting

of a reply.

As soon as I read Mr Tebbit's document I could see it was full of mistakes and unsupported, sometimes defamatory, allegations. The BBC had never previously defended itself vigorously in public like this against govern-ment attack, and it was inall, been here structive to see what happened.

First, Downing Street began to receive large numbers of letters of complaint from ordinary viewers and listeners. They were especially angry about the attack on Kate Adie, whose courage and reporting skills were as much admired then as now. Second, Mrs Thatcher quickly withdrew her support for Mr Tebbit's campaign. Soon it petered out, and Conservative Central Office was glad to forget it.

The BBC is an infuriating organisation in all sorts of ways: thoughtless, self-obsessed, sometimes appearing arrogant and at other times cowardly. For most of this century, though, it has provided part of the mortar which had bonded the British nation together. Without the BBC, we would be a less united kingdom. It has given us shared notions of who we are, what we are concerned with, what

Except among a few politicians and journalists, it has --



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John Simpson: 'the government knows broadcasting is part of the national heritage'

for all its failings — a real hold on the nation's affections. I do not believe public opinion would support a government if it tried to do the kind of wanton damage to the BBC that Mrs Thatcher did to independent television in Britain, ostensibly in the interests of creating a more American climate in the industry.

In the United States, itself, the commerical broadcasting system has done nothing to

raise educational standards, and because the American television networks show progressively less interest in the world outside, so the influence on government policy of edu-cated, informed opinion declines.

In Germany and France. the tone of the public service broadcasters changes when the government changes, since the jobs at the top go to people with whom the incoming government is comfortable. We do not do things this way in Britain, and the British people would not like it if we did. As for the outside world, the

BBC is Britain. During the revolutions in Eastern Europe in 1989, I had only to say I worked for the BBC to be allowed into the inner-most sanctum of the revolutionaries, to be applauded in the streets, or to be lifted, on one embarrassing occasion, over the

heads of the rejoicing crowds. In Tiananmen Square the BBC was the single bestknown foreign broadcasting service and we were swamped by well-wishers. During the coup in Moscow, communists and democrats alike let us do

anything we wanted. Now British influence. British culture and British standards of reporting are reaching large areas of the globe through BBC World Service Television, just as they have done for many years by World Service radio. Within three months of its inception. the BBC's television service to larger audience than the American Cable News Network had gained in a decade. To explain to such enthusiasts abroad that the ruling party in Britain has its knife into the BBC and has threatened to break it up is to invite looks of sheer incomprehension.

erhaps it will never happen. Mr Major is not a stirrer. He is unlikely. therefore, to do to the BBC what Mrs Thatcher was too canny to attempt. When Mr Major announced the creation of a national heritage department, gave it responsibility for broadcasting, and put the relaxed and cultivated David Mellor in charge of it. it seemed conclusive.

No doubt there will be plenty of rows before the renewal of the BBC Charter in 1996. But I believe we now have a government that appreciates that broadcasting is indeed part of the national heritage, and not something to be tinkered with for party advantage. The advice of the revolutionary guards outside Central Office should not only be disregarded, it probably will be disregarded.

John Simpson is the BBC's foreign editor. This article first appeared

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# What it takes to treat young minds in pain

parent's sudden death. supporting a sexually abused child and counselling a family with a violent adolescent are all in a day's work for the child psychotherapist.

There is growing awareness of the damage done to children through abuse and neglect, but behind the headlines there are professionals who pick up the pieces and help frightened children towards a more normal life.

"Child psychotherapists are specially trained to help children who have suffered severe trauma or have been unable to develop trusting relationships with adults," explains Dorothy Judd, the principal child psychotherapist at the Middlesex Hospital, London.

They offer treatment, often over many years, for eating and sleeping problems, violent and destructive behaviour, and the effects of death and divorce. Therapists, using psychoanaytical principles and techniques, encourage children to communicate their fears and expe-

riences through play."

Child psychotherapy has had professional status within the NHS for 40 years, and many early practitioners worked in child guidWidget Finn describes the training that equips a child psychotherapist for the job

particularly evacuees, after the war. There are four training schools for child psychotherapists in

London and one in Edinburgh. The course is for postgraduates with an honours degree. "People usually start child psychotherapy training in their late twenties, often coming from a first career in nursing, teaching or social work."
Mrs Judd says. "Students should already have worked with children. and perhaps also have some psychi-atric experience."

Every student undergoes personal analysis three or four times a week with an approved practitioner as part of the training. Mrs Judd says: "Through their own analysis students gain insight into their own emotions and needs, which helps them to understand the conflicts in

the children they treat." The cost of analysis, which can be £5,000 a year, has to be borne by the student, and this, Mrs Judd points out, bars many suitable applicants from the profession through lack of funds. Scholar-

ance clinics to deal with the ships, however, are available emotional problems of children, through the Child Psychotherapy Trust, and some regional health authorities offer trainee posts.

The two-year pre-clinical programme has the status of an MA, and students develop their skills through detailed observation of babies and young children. The dinical training is from three to five years, when trainee psychothera-pists work in the NHS under close supervision, taking on three long-term intensive cases with children of different ages. Trainees also work with parents of children in therapy and a variety of special patients, such as autistic or physically handicapped children.

Trancesca Bartlett divides her working week as a child psychotherapist between a baby clinic at a west London health centre, and the children's department of St Bartholomew's Hospital, London. The posts complement each other," she says. "At the health centre I am working in the community with mums who are referred with post-

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natal depression, or with anxieties about their babies' eating and skeeping. At Bart's I work with children in hospital with chronic illness and the staff who are involved in their care." Miss Bartlett qualified as a child

psychotherapist a year ago. While working in a residential home with autistic children she decided to become a child psychotherapist and has worked steadily towards that goal for ten years. Her original training had been in the fine arts. She had to take further A levels and get a first degree before she could study child psychotherapy at the Tavistock Clinic in London.

She says: "Many psychotherapists have an academic background in psychology or psychiatry. I took a BA honours degree at London University in anthropology and linguistics because I felt that such a

broadly based subject would in-crease my understanding of behavioural problems in children." At the pre-clinical stage of her training she worked in a social services nursery in Camden, north London, helping families where the mothers had come from broken homes and difficult backgrounds. After a five-year break because of family commitments, she em-

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combining it with a trainee post in the child guidance centre of a health authority. Only people who

are strongly committed, she says, should consider this career. The training is demanding and strenuous", she says, "and involves considerable financial outlay. You have to work several evenings a week, and often can see patients only in the early morning. It takes

up a lot of emotional and mental energy, and friends and partners have to be understanding.

Many people who have moved from another career take a considerable drop in income. The financial rewards are small. NHS salaries start at £13,000 and there are few posts paying more than £20,000, though some psychotherapists also have private practices. Child psychotherapy is, however, one of the few careers in which demand outstrips supply.

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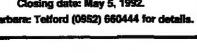
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THE world's most sensitive gamma-ray detector has been inaugurated at the Daresbury laboratory of the Science and Engineering Research Council near Warrington, in Cheshire. The Eurogam detector, a joint project between Britain and France, has cost £5.5 million and will be used for studies of the atomic nucleus. In April 1993, the detector will be moved to a French laboratory in Strasbourg.

#### Close encounters 🔍

JOHN S. Derr. an American geophysicist, believes that many "sightings" of unidentified flying

electricity that appears in the forms of glowing balls close to the epicentres of earthquakes. He outlined his theory at the Seismologi-cal Society of America's annual meeting in Sama Fe, New Mexico, last week. He believes that stresses in the ground before earthquakes generate electric discharges in a form similar to ball lightning, and has shown that dozens of UFO sightings in New Mexico during 1951 and 1952 were clustered within 60 miles of the epicentres of three quakes that measured 4 to 5 on the Richter Scale

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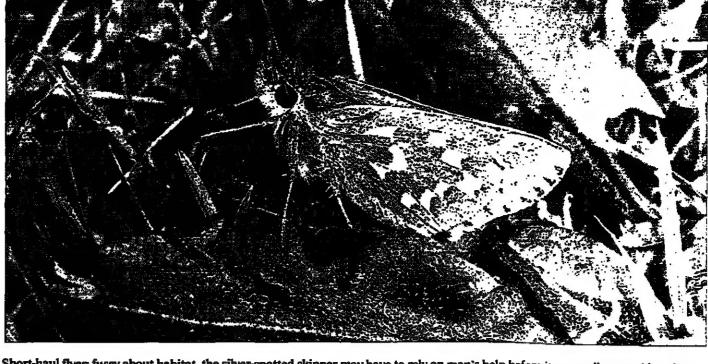
WHITE House officials have indicated that the United States is unlikely to commit itself to a treaty designed to limit global warming, due to be drawn up at the UN conference on Environment and Development in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in June. The White House Office of Policy Developments says there are too many uncertainties about global warming to justify international treaties limiting carbon dioxide emissions.

#### Hot cold news

AKITO Takahashi of Osaka University last week presented evidence at a meeting at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology that he has produced excess amounts of power from a cold fusion experiment. He did not claim to have produced cold fusion. "This may be nuclear energy, but I cannot say. So I call it new hydrogen energy," he told the MIT meeting. His experiment has been running for many months. apparently producing 70 per cent more power as heat than it consumes as electricity. Sceptics at MIT indicated that Dr Takahashi should now do more studies of how the heat may have been produced, and he said that was exactly what

#### Shortlist

SIX books have been shortlisted for the 1992 Science Book Prize, sponsored by Rhone-Poulenc. They sponsored by Khone-Fourenc. I ney are: Darwin by Adrian Desmond and James Moore (Michael Joseph); Dawn of a Millennium by Erich Harth (Penguin); Fossils by Niles Eldridge (Aurum Press); Last Animals at the Zoo by Colin Tudge (Hutchinson Radius); The Natural History of the Universe by Colin Ronan (Transworld Publishers) and The Rise and Fall of the Third Chimpanses by Jared Diamond (Hutchinson Radius). There are also six books in the junior category; first prize for both is £10,000.



Short-haul flyer: fussy about habitat, the silver-spotted skipper may have to rely on man's help before it can really spread its wings

# Comma at a full stop

he silver-spotted skipper butterfly's biggest problem is that it cannot fly wery far. A kilometre (slightly more than half a mile) is fine; 3km is getting tough; and 10km (in butterfly terms) is the ends of the earth. Which means the chances of the skipper (Hesperia comma) re-establishing itself widely across the downlands of southern England, where it used to be found in profusion, are pretty slim.

There are still plenty of sites where H. comma could live and breed very happily — it likes heavily grazed chalk grasslands — but they are too far apart to allow the butterfly to flit over and colonise them. It cannot make the leap from patch to patch.

This unhappy state of affairs has been uncovered by Dr Chris Thomas, a researcher at the Natural Environment Research Council's Centre for Population Biology, which is part of Imperial College. Dr Thomas, who has been investigating what he calls the "spatial dynamics" of H. comma. says the difficulty is not restricted to the skipper. "The British landscape is now so fragmented that most rare species find difficulty in colonising new patches of habitati the distances between them are just

too great." There are lots of reasons why intervening land can become a bar-

The silver-spotted skipper butterfly has a problem — potential new homes are just too far away. Malcolm Brown reports

rier to the butterfly: everything from fertilisers (which make the ground produce more vegetation

but of the wrong type) to ploughing. If conservation specialists are to have a chance of re-establishing butterfly species in their old haunts. Dr Thomas says, they need to know a lot not just about the conditions the butterflies like but also about

how the insects move across country and the kind of country they are Before the war, the silver-spotted skipper was widely distributed throughout the central and southern chalk grasslands, from the Chilterns down into Dorset and across the North and South Downs, But its numbers dropped dramatically following the myxo-matosis epidemic of the mid-

1950s. H. comma is very choosy about where it lays its eggs. It prefers to lay on a very fine grass called sheep's fescue (Festuca ovina), surrounded by bare ground or scree in an area which has been well cropped by grazing animals. The rabbits kept downlands grazed,

GENERAL OVERSEAS

which was ideal for skippers, but when myxomatosis rubbed out the rabbit, even sites with abundant Festuca ovina became overgrown and unsuitable for breeding.

When a survey of the skipper was done in 1982, it seemed that things might be looking up. There were still fewer than 50 colonies, most of them small, but the rabbit population had recovered and many downlands were again heavily

But when Dr Thomas went back last year to re-survey all the 1982 skipper localities in Kent, Surrey, Sussex and parts of Hampshire. that recovery was heavily circumscribed geographically: most new colonisations had taken place on sites within a kilometre of existing populations. "This butterfly, which is actually quite good at getting about as butterflies go." Dr Thom-as says, "has been unable to colonise any site which is more than 10km away from an existing population."

That means, he says, that the only place where H. comma is likely to spread without human help is East Sussex. So while there are plenty of suitable unoccupied sites on the North Downs, they are too wide apart for the bunerflies to be able to make the journey unaided.

There are two things that could be done to give the silver-spotted skipper a more promising future. The first would be the "stepping stone" approach, sening canle and sheep to graze on patches of downland, thus helping to "bridge" the distances between already populated areas and other known suitable habitats.

The second possibility would be to eatch a bunch of butterflies from a large population and release them in a suitable habitat in, for example, the section of the Downs just west of the Medway," Dr Thomas says. "You could take them to a large patch of downland in the middle of that stretch and release

'Our simulations, using colonisation and extinction dynamics, suggest that the butterfly would establish successfully."

Or Thomas has, however, one warning about reintroduction: it is a job for the expens.

The last thing one wants is large numbers of people running around the countryside releasing butterflies willy-nilly, because they're all going to die unless you know exactly where you're doing it, what you're doing, and what the habitat re-

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PUBLIC NOTICES SCOTTISH AMICABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY NOTICE OF MEETING NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the One Hundred and Sixtysixth Annual General Meeting of the Members will be held in The Forte Crest Hotel, Bothwell Street, Glasgow G2 7EN on

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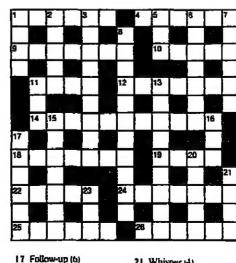
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WINNING MOVE By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent This position is a variation [

from the game Tarrasch – Alekhine, Baden Baden 1925. Black has already created temble weak-nesses in white's king position and now finished in fine style. Can you see how? Solution below.

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CHANNEL4

9.25 The Munsters (b/w). Classic comedy with the ghoulish family.

10.45 The Enormous Lies. Animation by the Hungarian Kati Macskassy

11.30 Get Smart. Comedy spy spoof series starring Don Adams (\*\*19957)
12.00 Noah's Ark. The birds that flourish in the harsh chimate of

2.00 Film: This Day and Age (1933, btw) starring Charles Bickford and

B. DeMille (348860)

3.35 Pete Smith Specialities (b/w). A sports quiz (235-1632)

3.45 Third Wave With Mavis Nicholson. The last in the senes and the guest is writer Mary Wesley, the author of The Camornile Lawn, seen recently on this channel. (Teletext) (8192228)

5.00 K's A Dog's Life. Mike Fuller meets field trials champion Holway

5.30 Beat That. Mik Scarlett sets another practical task challenge for

7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (291266) 7.50 Comment

8.00 People First: A Door to Understanding. People with severe learning difficulties and their carers describe the reality of the policy of Care in the Community. (Teletext) (5773)

(Teletext) (4808)

9.00 Without Walls: For Love or Money. The last in the series asks if the public are being taken in by the patter at auctions where

Nature Watch: At Last a Success Story. The story of Carl Jones who has built up a colony of Mauritius kestrels from two eggs (r)

Passion play: Lothaire Bluteau as a modern Christ (10.00pm)

virtually worthless paintings are advertised for their investment value (7605)

with Denys Arcand's Cannes prize-winner about a group of French-

Canadian actors staging a passion play in Montreal. Their modern version of the life of Christ draws huge audiences while enraging

the church, but Arcand's main concern is to draw parallels between the experiences of the troupe and the gospel stories. This is particularly true of Daniel (Lothaire Bluteau), the actor playing Jesus,

who undergoes his own version of death and resurrection.

Sometimes the comparisons are too forced. But Arcand uses them to raise pertinent questions about the relationship between traditional images of Christ and contemporary perceptions of morality and belief. He does so with a light and accessible touch, which often borders on farce (s) (82861131)

launching a nine-part season of Schoenberg's complete works fo

12.15am Empty Nest. American comedy series starring Richard Mulligan as a medical man living in *Golden Girts* country (s) (91667)

12.45 The Schoenberg Cycle. A documentary following the Schoenberg Quarter as they prepare for a performance in Los applications of the property of Schoenberg Cycles and Schoen

10.00 Film: Jesus of Montreal (1989).

• CHOICE: A Channel 4 season of recent Canadian films opens

looking for hidden treasure (r). (Teletext) (62112)

Corbiere, a golden retriever known as the Desert Orchid of the

re Hunt. Annabel Croft is sent scurrying around Perthshire

Patagonia. Among them rheas, lapwings and bustards (r). (Telete+t)

Richard Cromwell. Melodramatic tale about a group of young people who take the law into their own hands after a gangster is

acquitted of the murder of a local tailor. The vigilante types I idnap

and torture the man and force him to confess. Directed by Cecil

staning Fred Gwynne (r) (4343044)
9.55 The Road to Avonlea. Children's drama senal (r) (4102976)

11.00 Gamesmaster. Video game challenges (r) (8228)

12.30 Business Daily (87421)
1.00 Sesame Street. Pre-school learning series (r) (82976)

6.00 Channel 4 Daily (8710518)

4.30 Fifteen To One (s) (537)

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youngsters (r) (889) 6.00 Treasure Hunt Ann

(3466315)

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax (36150) 6.30 Breakfast News (21240599) 9.05 Defenders of the Earth (r). (Ceefax) (9698247) 9.25 Why Don't

You . . ? (s) (2271686) 10.00 News, regional news and weather (4277957) 10.05 Playdays (r) (5338599) 10.25 The Family Ness (r) (4270044) 10.35 Gibberish

11,00 News, regional news and weather (3522686) 11.05 Rosemary Conley. Includes advice on how hair style and make up can make a face look slimmer (8459686) 11.30 People Today. A special Karaoke Kapers finds Debi Jones with the crew of HMS Marlborough on a visit to Copenhagen. With News, regional news

and weather at 12.00 (8145537)

12.20 Pabble Mill. Music and chat introduced by Alan Titchmarsh (s) (8173247) 12.55 Regional News and weather (13170421) 1.00 One O'Clock News and weather (54256)

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (64754605) 1.50 Turnabout. Quiz game

show presented by Rob Curling (64758421) 2.15 Film: April in Paris (1952) starring Doris Day, Ray Bolger and Claude Dauphin. Romantic musical comedy about the mayhem that ensues after a derical error leads to a chorus girl being invited to accompany an American diplomat to an important Paris festival. Directed by David Butler (345773)

3.50 Just So Stories. How the Rhinocerous Got His Skin (2032131) 4.00 Chucklevision (r) (s) (2469957) 4.20 Happy Families. Mr Creep the Crook (r) (9027808) 4.35 Pirates of Dark Water. Animated adventures. (Ceefa) (8794334) 5.00 Newsround (7001228) 5.10 The Lowdown. A profile of Polly

Cottle, the 15-year-old daughter of circus owner Gerry Cottle. (Ceefax) (7674082) 5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (655063). Northern Ireland: Inside Ulster 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moira Stuart. (Ceefax)

6.30 Regional News Magazines (604). Northern Ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Noel's Addicts. Noel Edmonds meets another collection of people



with obsessions including a Beatlemaniac in Beverly Hills and a Michelangelophile from West Sussex. (Ceefax) (s) (3315)

7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (228)

SATELLITE

Via the Astra and Marcopolo satelfites.

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SKY ONE

8.00 Just Good Friends. John Sullivan's comedy about an on/off love affair. Starring Jan Francis and Paul Nicholas (r). (Ceefax) (2063) 8.30 A Question of Sport. The last in this series of the popular quiz game introduced by David Coleman. Ian Botham is joined by Sharron Davies and Gary Pallister while Bill Beaumont captains Graeme Hick and Colin Jackson. (Ceefax) (s) (1570)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news 9.30 Film: The Whistle Blower (1986) starring Michael Caine, James

Fox and Nige! Havers, Engrossing espionage yarn dealing with the little men working for secret government agencies who uncover information which could blow the whistle on people in high places. Directed by Simon Langton. (Ceefax) (744179). Wales: Week in Week Out 10.00-11.40 Film: The Whistle Blower 11.10 Film 92 with Barry Norman Among the films reviewed are The Hand That Rocks the Cradle, Rebecca's Daughters and The Naked

Lunch (s) (129353). Northern Ireland: Family Farm 11.40 Private Eye. Detective drama series set in 1956 Los Angeles, starring Michael Woods and Josh Brolin (133266). Northern Ireland:

Film 92 12.10am-12.55 Private Eye

12.30am Weather (4546377). Wales: Film 92 1.00 News and weather

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 6.0tam Showcase (842:908)
 10.00 The Watching of Ben Wagner 11987) A boy befinetts a girl whose mother is thought to be a witch (29421)

BBC2

8.00 Breakfast News (6606605) 8.15 Travel Show UK Mini Guides. All there is to know about holidaying in the Newquay, Cornwall, area (r) (9469247) 8.20 Moving Stories. The second in the series follows the fortunes of

five first-time buyers in London (r) (2913957) 9.00 Film: Calling Bulldog Drummond (1951, b/w) starring Walter Pidgeon and Margaret Leighton. Scotland Yard call in super sleuth Buildog Drummond when they are baffled by a series of robberies.

Directed by Victor Saville (3903266) 10.15 Holiday Outings. Anne Gregg reports on a 19-day tour of Zambia, Zimbabwe and Mauritius (r) (7206711)

10.30 Snooker. Further first round action in the Embassy world professional championship introduced by Eamonn Holmes from the Crucible, Sheffield. In play this session are the fifth and six seeds, Gary Wilkinson and Neal Foulds (21859605) 1.20 Mr Benn. Animation (r) (83563686) 1.35 Bellamy's Seaside Safari. A miniscule David Bellamy explores a rock pool (r)

(99291583) 2.00 News and weather (30779976) followed by See Heart Magazine

2.00 News and weather (30779976) followed by See Hearl Magazine series for the hearing impaired (59778334)
2.30 World Snooker. Further first round action from the Crucible, Sheffleld, begins with highlights of the morning session followed at 3.05 by live coverage of the match between Dennis Taylor and Mick Price. Includes News and weather at 3.00 and 3.55 (5460686)
6.00 Film: Flying Leathernecks (1951) starring John Wayne and Robert Ryan. Second world war drama about the pilots of a marine fighter squadron based at Guadalcanal who begin to resent the dictatorial attitude of their unyielding commander. Directed by Nicholas Ray (27551315)

7.49 Animation Now. One of Those Days made by Bill Plympton (r)

7.45 The Lion's Den. A documentary following the fortunes of a probationary teacher who is put in charge of a class of boisterous 14-year-olds (100841) 8.30 KYTV. Satirical comedy series set in a satellite television station (s)

Birth pains: Renate, a child of the Third Reich (9.50pm) 9.20 Snooker. David Vine introduces the opening frames of this evening's session (747150)

9.50 40 Minutes: A Child For Hitler.

(164334)

 CHOICE: Among the grisly by-products of the Third Reich was Lebensborn, a programme set up by Heinrich Himmler to breed a pure Aryan race. The fathers were members of the SS. They were not obliged to many the mothers, who were simply entreated to "make a child for Hitler". Renate was one of thousands of bables to "make a child for Hitler". Renate was one of thousands of bables to emerge from this amangement, born in 1941 in the first Lebensborn home in Bavaria. For years after the war her mother hid the truth. Renate longed to see her father, not knowing what had happened to him. Catrine Clay's emotionally charged film follows Renate as she sets out to establish the truth about her family background. The trail takes her to Riga in Latvia, where her father was the chief of the SS. Courageously, but not without a tear or two, she faces up to the implications. (Ceefax) (151082)

10.30 Newsnight with Jeremy Pauman (176686) 11.15 World Snooker. Final visit of the day to the Crucible, Sheffield

12.30am Weather (6086261)

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**6.00 TV-am** (8712976)

9.25 Cross Wits. Word quiz game show hosted by Tom O'Connor (4345402) 9.55 Thames News (5507042) 10.00 Out of this World, American comedy series (3602044) 10.50 News headlines (8469063)

10.55 Treasure Island in Outer Space. Sci-fi version of Robert Louis Stevenson classic. Starring Anthony Quinn and Ernest Borgnine (r) (2801228) 11.50 Thames News (4192063) 11.55 Cartoon (r) (7697247) 12.10 Playbox. Children's early learning



Uplifted: Debbie De Feo after plastic surgery (10.40pm)

12.30 Lunchtime News with Nicholas Owen and Sonia Ruseler. (Orade) Weather (8886957) 1.10 Thames News (24203808) 1.20 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Oracle) (20158632) 1.50 A Country Practice (s) (88946696)

2.20 The Full Treatment. • The Full Treatment.
• CHOKE: The popular medical series is back, a show determinedly in the business of sugaring pills. It moves effortlessly from an item about improved treatment for premature babies to Dora Bryan demonstrating how, at the age of sixtysomething, she can still do the splits. The programme is hosted with Tomorow's World jolity by Josephine Buchan, Her fellow presenters, the television medical Roy McGregor and Hilary Jones, soon catch the mood. The tone is upbeat. Diseases that once killed are being conquered, people are living longer. A vox pop of amazingly sprightly OAPs reassures us that all is for the best in the best of all geriatric worlds. Bad news, such as the worrying increase in asthma cases among children, is passed over quickly. Viewers new to the series may have had no idea that medicine could be such fun (59777605)

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6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (860)
6.30 Thames News. (Oracle) Weather (112)
7.00 Enamerdale. Bucolic soap set in the Yorkshire Dales. (Oracle) (1711)
7.30 Survival: The Krill Equation. A documentary about the nvironmental dangers caused by the over-fishing in Antarctica of krill. (Oracle) (624)

8.00 The Bill: Timing. DS Greig and DCI Meadows investigate a series of arson attacks while DS Roach turns his attentions to the attractive

arson attacks while DS Roach turns his attentions to the attractive wife of an escaped armed robber. (Oracle) (7131)
8.30 The Benny Hill Show. Compilation (s) (6266)
9.00 Medics. Hospital drama series starring Tom Baker and Sue Johnston. (Oracle) (s) (9063)
10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Carol Barnes. (Oracle) Weather (45957) 10.30 Thamas News (760624)
10.40 Viewpoint "92. The first of two documentaries exploring the efforts that are being made to delay the ageing process (938353)
11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H (128334)
12.30am Video View. Reviews of the latest video releases (67754)
1.30 The Equalizer. McCall helps a couple find their missing teenage daughter. Starring Edward Woodward (r) (30919)
2.30 Donahue. A discussion on lesbian marriages (4379667)
3.30 60 Minutes. American news magazine (36667)

3.30 60 Minutes. American news magazine (36667) 4.30 Entertainment UK. News of leisure time activities (60648) 5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman (15667). Ends at 6.00

1.45 Film: The Last Journey (1935, b/w). Thriller about the passengers on a train driven by a demented engineman, Starring Julien Mitchell and directed by Bernard Vorhaus (9407445). Ends at 2.55 12.30 Philip Marlowe: Private Eye (93613) 4.30-5.00 Jobinder (60648) (128334)

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RADIO 3

6.55am Weather; News Headlines
7.08 Morning Concert: Vivaldi
(Concerto for two violins; RV
516); Mendelssohn (Concert
Piece in D minor, Op 114);
Kmoch (Romanze; Galop, Am
Motor, Mazurka, Auf alte
Weisse; March, Böhmische
Musik) 7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Bizer
(Symphony in Cr); Saint-Saëns,
transc Lizst (Danse Macabre);
Bridge (Three Idylis)
R.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week:
Granados (Los requiebros;
Coloquio en la reja; El
Fandango de candit; Quejas o
la maja y el nuisenor, Goyescas,
Set 1; La Maja dolorosa; Oh,
muerte cruei; Ay, majo de mi
vida; De aquel majo amante;
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March: RPO under Yondani
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and Melodrama, Ew: Vienna
PO under the coronacers with PO under the composer, with Maria Reining, soprano); Richard Strauss (Das Diner, Le horrard Strates (Das Diner, Le bourgeois gentilhomme: Chamber Orchestra of Europe under Ench Leinsdorff; Weberr (Five Pieces for Orchestra, Op 10: LSO under Pierre Boulezt; Prokofiev (Five Sarcasms, Op 17: Boris Berman, piano); Ravel (Trois Poèmes de Stéphane Mallarmé: Ensemble Boulez, with Phyllis Bryn-Julson, soprano); Stravinsky (Three Pieces for String Quartet: Chainginan Quartet);

eigar (Sospiri: New Philharmonia under Barbirolii) 11.35 BBC Philharmonic under Yan Pascal Tortelier performs Mendelssohn (Overture, The Hebrides, Fingal's Cave); Hindernith (Suite, Nobilissima Visione); Tchalkovsky (Symphony No & In Emigrand (s) Elgar (Sospin: New

Visione); Tchaikovsky (Symphony No 4 in F minor) (r) 1.00pm News 1.05 Nikolaeva Plays Rachmanknov: The pianist Tatyana Nikolaeva plays Moments musicaux, Op 16; Barcarolle, Op 10 No 3; Humonscure, Op 10 No 5; Humoresque, Op 10 No 5: Lilacs, Op 21 No 5; Valse, Op 10 No 2
2.00 Music Weekly in Barcelona, with Peter Paul Nash (r)

2.45 BBC Welsh SO under Nicholas
Cleobusy performs Haydri
(Symphony No 97 in C);
Beethoven (Piano Concerto No
2 in 8 flat, Op 19: Angela
Hewritt); Kurt Weill (Symphony
No 2)
4.15 Barcelona Snapshot:
Glovehand, Sanda Miller meets
the Catalan surrealist Joan
Brossa

4.30 BBC Festival of Brass 1992: BBC Festival of Brass 1992: Paul Hindmarsh presents the third of nine concerts recorded in Studio 7, Manchester, in February. John Foster Black Dyke Mills Band under James Watson performs Michael Ball (Intrada); Howells (Three Figures); Elgar Howarth (In Memoriam RK); Edward Gregson (Of Men and Mountains)

Mountains)
5.30 Mainly for Pleasure
7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear in Barcelona:
Eduardo Mendoza talks about
his novel, *The City of Marvels*7.30 Pebble Mill

 CHOICE: Fiddle-long faces
on the shoulders of those who failed to get tickets earlier this month for the London debut of the American soprano Sylvia of the American soprano Sylvia McNair will melt pleasurably tonight because exactly the same programme, with exactly the same programme, with exactly the same planest (Roger Vignoles), comes twe from the BBC Pebble Mill studios. If ever there was a shop window for a singer to put her best wares in, this surely is it. There are Purcell arias, a selection of Wolf's Mörike Lieder, Richard Strauss lieder, and songs by Leonard Bernstein, including the cycle, La bonne cuisine and the cycle, La bonne cuisine and Vignoles's arrangement of "Somewhere" from West Side

Stary. In the interval at 8.05, Dr Jean Andrew talks about the dream in Spanish Interature 9.15 Drama Now: A Hard Heart, by Howard Barker. Arna Massey plays Riddler, an architect and military strateges: to whom a plays Riddler, an architect and military strategist, to whom a besieged city looks for its survival (r) 10.45 BBC Scottish SO under Jerzy Maksymiuk performs Debussy, orch Ravel (Sarabande); Paderewski (Plano Concerto in A minor: Piers Lane) (r) 11.30 News

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9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: 071-580 4411. Lines open from 8am 10.00-10.30am News; Grand Tour (FM only): London • CHOKE: Quick, confident,

brush strokes, employing colours that many a sociologist would envy, are Doris Lessing's way of capturing the essence of six decades of London life since the late 1940s: poached eggs and scones and butter at lates Conten Moures for delivery Lyons Corner House; five-day fogs that crept even into the Royal Opera House; the gathering of the Aldermaston marchers; the dawn of marcies, the dawn or Carnaby Street culture, the haggledy-piggledy rebirth of Docklands, and the sardonic raw humour of the sign outside the butcher's shop:

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(Watership Down) "Now make a rabbit pie!"

10.00 Daily Service (LW only)

10.15 The Bible (LW only): Malachi, Fiona Shaw reads the last book of the Old Testament

10.20 Wengan's Music Marianea 10.30 Woman's Hour. Marianne No. 20 Woman's Hous: Managine
Ker examines the influence of
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Theatre: Happy Returns, by
Nan Woodhouse. Ann (loan
Walker) decides to take the
initiative and visit her
estranged father (Benjamin

Whitrow) on his seventieth birthday (s)
2.30 Richard Baker Compares Notes with Robert Safter, Benjamin Buckton and Jane Carwarding of the Guildhall Stripp Encerptie (s)

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Sung Ersemble (s)
3.00 Tuesday Lives (s)
4.05 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope looks at the
casting policy of the Royal
Shakespeare Company, follows
Lord Byron's travels around
Europe through the pages of
Paul West's novel, Lord Byron's
Doctor; listens to the City of
Birmingham Symphony Doctor, listens to the City of Birmingham Symphony Orichestra's recordings of Janabet's symphonies; and reviews the Cambridge Theatre Company's touring production of The Revenger's Tragedy (s) 4.45 Short Story: The Shopkeeper and the Beggar, by Ken Saro-Wiwa. Read by Patrice Naismbana 5.00 MM E En Monthon E. Etc.

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6.30 No Commitments: Old
Embers: Written by Simon
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7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Woman's Hour (LW only) (r)
8.00 Science Now (r)
8.30 The Word on the Street:
Morecambe. Susan Marling
presents a series which reflects
the experience of life at street
level in contemporary Britain
9.00 In Touch: The magazine for
the visually handicapped goes
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9.30 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight (s) 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: In My Father's Court, by Isaac Bashevis Singer (2 of 5)
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knowledge of journalists from
the Sunday newspapers. This
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The Mail on Sunday (r)

11.30 Dear Bix: Geoffrey Smith on
the cornet player Bix
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12.00-12.43am News, and 12.27
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